

Algebraic points on meromorphic curves

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Abstract

The classic Schneider-Lang theorem in transcendence theory asserts that there are only finitely many points at which algebraically independent complex meromorphic functions of finite order of growth can simultaneously take values in a number field, when satisfying a polynomial differential equation with coefficients in this given number field. In this article, we are interested in generalizing this theorem in two directions. First, instead of considering meromorphic functions on \mathbf{C} we consider holomorphic maps on an affine curve over the field \mathbf{C} or \mathbf{C}_p . This extends a statement of D. Bertrand which applies to meromorphic functions on $\mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{C})$ or $\mathbf{P}^1(\mathbf{C}_p)$ minus a finite subset of points. Secondly, we deal with algebraic values taken by the functions, instead of rational values as in the classic setting, inspired by a work of D. Bertrand. We prove a geometric statement extending those two results, using the *slopes method*, written in the language of Arakelov geometry. In the complex case, we recover a special case of a result by C. Gasbarri.

Introduction

Let f_1, \dots, f_n be meromorphic functions on \mathbf{C} and assume that at least two of these functions are algebraically independent over \mathbf{Q} . The Schneider-Lang theorem asserts that the set W_K of points at which the functions f_1, \dots, f_n simultaneously take values in a given number field K is finite, under two hypotheses. The first condition is that the functions satisfy a polynomial differential equation with coefficients in K ; in other words, the ring $K[f_1, \dots, f_n]$ is stable under the derivation d/dz . The second one is that the functions f_1, \dots, f_n have a finite order of growth. We recall that an entire function f on \mathbf{C} is said to be *of order at most ρ* , for a non-negative real number ρ , if there exist non-negative real numbers A, B such that, for all $z \in \mathbf{C}$,

$$|f(z)| \leq Ae^{B|z|^\rho}.$$

A meromorphic function on \mathbf{C} is *of order at most ρ* if it can be written as the quotient of two holomorphic functions of order at most ρ .

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We give here a generalization of this statement. Let K be a number field and let X be a projective variety defined over K . We show that there are only finitely many formal subschemes over K of dimension 1 of the formal completion of X at a K -rational point which satisfy two conditions. In the classic statement, the variety X would be $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$ and the formal subschemes would be the germs of formal curves defined by $f = (1, f_1, \dots, f_n)$ at the points of $f(W_K)$. The first condition we impose will be called *α -arithmeticity* and generalizes the condition of differential equation, and the second condition will be called *uniformization of finite order* of the subschemes and generalizes the hypothesis of germs of curves parameterized by meromorphic function of finite order on \mathbf{C} .

Moreover, instead of considering formal subschemes based at K -rational points for a given number field K , we will consider formal subschemes based at any closed point of X .

To establish our result about formal subschemes of dimension 1 at the algebraic points we will suppose that they satisfy an “Arakelovian” hypothesis: we will say that such a formal subscheme is *α -arithmetic* if the height of an *evaluation morphism* along this formal subscheme satisfies some upper bound (see Paragraph 2.1 for the definition of the evaluation morphisms, and Paragraph 2.3 for the definition of an α -arithmetic formal subscheme). The smaller the non-negative real parameter α is, the stronger the condition is.

In the case of a polynomial differential equation, that is to say of an algebraic foliation, a germ of leaf at an algebraic point defines a 1-arithmetic formal subscheme (Lemmas 3.1 and 2.8). If moreover almost all \mathfrak{p} -curvatures of the foliation vanish, the formal subscheme is 0-arithmetic. Proposition 3.6 asserts that if some density $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ of \mathfrak{p} -curvatures vanish, then the formal subschemes are $(1 - \alpha)$ -arithmetic. Theorem 6.1 is then a link between the classic theorem of Schneider-Lang and an algebraicity criterion for a formal leaf of a foliation whose almost all \mathfrak{p} -curvatures vanish, which is very close to a theorem of J.-B. Bost in [Bost, 2001]. It also generalizes an unpublished result of A. Thuillier.

We also impose a condition of *uniformization of order ρ* of the formal subschemes at one place of the number field, which generalizes the hypothesis of having a curve parameterized by meromorphic functions of order ρ on the complex affine line. This condition is introduced in Paragraph 5.1 (Definition 5.4) and consists in the existence of a holomorphic map from an algebraic projective curve over \mathbf{C} or \mathbf{C}_p minus a finite subset of points $\tau \in T$ to X parameterizing the formal subschemes. For such a map we also define a notion of *order of growth near the singularities $\tau \in T$* , generalizing the notion of order of growth at infinity of a meromorphic function on \mathbf{C} (Paragraph 5.1, Definition 5.1).

Let us now state the main result (Theorem 6.1) of this article.

Theorem. *Let X be a projective variety defined over \mathbf{Q} and let x_1, \dots, x_m be closed points of X . For all $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, denote $K_j = \mathbf{Q}(x_j)$ the residue field of x_j and d_j its degree over \mathbf{Q} . Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m$ be non-negative real numbers. For every $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, let \widehat{V}_j be a smooth α_j -arithmetic K_j -subscheme of dimension 1 of the formal completion \widehat{X}_{x_j} of X at x_j . Assume that the family of*

formal subschemes $(\widehat{V}_1, \dots, \widehat{V}_m)$ admits a uniformization of order at most $\rho \geq 0$ at some finite or Archimedean place p_0 of \mathbf{Q} . Let r be the dimension of the Zariski closure of $\widehat{V} = \bigcup_{j=1}^m \widehat{V}_j$ in X .

Then,

- either $r > 1$ and

$$\sum_{j=1}^m \frac{1}{\alpha_j d_j} \leq \frac{r}{r-1} \rho,$$

- or $r = 1$, that is to say $\widehat{V}_1, \dots, \widehat{V}_m$ are all algebraic.

If the variety X is $\mathbf{P}^n(\mathbf{C})$ and the formal subschemes \widehat{V}_j are parameterized by meromorphic functions on \mathbf{C} of order at most ρ , we recover Theorem 1 in [Bertrand, 1977], which is a generalization of the Schneider-Lang theorem dealing with the set of all points simultaneously mapped to algebraic points by the meromorphic functions. The set of such points is not always finite, but the theorem gives an inequality involving the degrees of the points. Theorem 6.1 also generalizes an other result of D. Bertrand, who proved in the article [Bertrand, 1975] a Schneider-Lang theorem on the projective space \mathbf{P}^1 minus a finite subset of points, in both the complex and p -adic cases. It also generalizes [Diamond, 1980] and [Wakabayashi, 1987] in which I. Wakabayashi treats the case where the curve is uniformized by the complement of a finite set of points in a compact complex Riemann surface.

In the complex case, that is when the particular place v_0 is the Archimedean place, Theorem 6.1 is a particular case of a theorem of C. Gasbarri (Theorem 4.16 and Corollary 4.17 in [Gasbarri, 2010]), which holds for holomorphic functions on a *parabolic curve*, where parabolic is intended in the sense of Ahlfors classification for Riemann surfaces ([Ahlfors and Sario, 1960]), every algebraic curve being parabolic. The order of growth of such a function is then defined by the Nevanlinna theory. It would be an interesting problem to extend Theorem 6.1 into a non-Archimedean analog of C. Gasbarri's result, which would require the definition and the study of parabolic analytic p -adic curves, for example in the framework of Berkovich spaces.

We now go in the substance of this article. The proof of Theorem 6.1 makes use of the *slopes method* invented by J.-B. Bost, which requires the language of Arakelov geometry. For more details about this method and some elements of Arakelov geometry we refer the reader to [Bost, 1996; Chambert-Loir, 2002; Bost, 2001; Chen, 2006; Bost, 2006; Viada, 2001, 2005]. We fix an ample line bundle L on X and the *evaluation morphism* $\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}_j}^k$ maps a section of $L^{\otimes D}$ which vanishes with order n_k along \widehat{V}_j to the n_{k+1} -th “Taylor coefficient” of its restriction to \widehat{V}_j .

The sections of L^D are filtered by their order of vanishing along the formal subschemes $\widehat{V}_1, \dots, \widehat{V}_m$. At one step of the filtration, we do not require the same order of vanishing along the different formal subschemes. The “derivation speed” along one formal subscheme will be inversely proportional to the degree

of the corresponding algebraic point. As far as we know, such a filtration with different speeds had not been used before, and it could hopefully have other applications to others settings.

A *slopes inequality* reflects the fact that the formal subschemes are Zariski dense in X . It involves the heights of the evaluation morphisms, and the conclusion of the proof of the main theorem follows from this very general slopes inequality combined with upper bounds of the heights coming from the two hypothesis made on the formal subschemes.

Our text is organized as follows. In the first section, we define the notion of α -*analytic formal subscheme*. This notion concerns the size of the p -adic absolute values of series parameterizing the formal subscheme. It is the notion of LG -germ of type α in [Gasbarri, 2010], and it is stronger than the notion of α -*arithmetic formal subscheme*. In some sense, this condition follows the idea of Schneider in his initial statement, in which there was no condition of global differential equation but arithmetic conditions on the Taylor coefficients of the functions at the particular points. In this paragraph we give some details and properties of this notion.

Then, in Section 2 we define the *evaluation morphisms* along a formal subscheme and the notion of α -*arithmetic formal subscheme* (Definition 2.5), which is a condition on the heights of the evaluation morphisms. The definitions and properties we establish apply to formal subschemes of any dimension, even if we will only need the case of formal subschemes of dimension 1 in view of Theorem 6.1, because there is no additional difficulty and we intend to use formal subschemes of higher dimensions in prospective works (including [Herblot, 2012], in preparation). We show that the α -analyticity implies the α -arithmeticity, and give a counter-example to the converse.

Section 3 is devoted to the case of formal subschemes which are the germs of formal leaves of an algebraic foliation at closed points. In particular, this makes the link between the classical statement and ours. In this section, we will see that such a formal subscheme is usually 1-analytic but not better, whereas it can be α -analytic with α smaller than 1 under assumptions on the density of vanishing p -curvature of the foliation. In Section 4 we develop these notions of α -arithmeticity and α -analyticity for formal subschemes based at any closed point, non-necessarily rational, and define evaluation morphisms in that case, which had not been done before.

Paragraphs 5.1 and 5.2 are devoted to the definitions of uniformization and of order of growth of a holomorphic map on an affine curve.

The proof of Theorem 6.1 consists in showing that the heights of the evaluation morphisms associated to the formal subschemes satisfy some upper bounds (Proposition 6.6). More precisely, the needed upper bound is the combination of two different upper bounds with different origins: one comes from the condition that the formal subschemes are α -arithmetic (Lemma 6.7), and the other uses the *uniformization of order ρ* of the family of formal subschemes at one place (Lemma 6.8). Like in the classic theorem, it is at this point of the proof that the analytic estimates, as a *Schwarz lemma*, appear. In the classic theorem, the estimation comes from the maximum principle applied

on a “big” disk. This “big” disk can also be seen as the complement of a small disk containing the point at infinity. This is the idea we will use here: we take off well-chosen small “disks” containing the points $\tau \in T$.

We introduce now some notation we will use in this text.

Let K be a number field and \mathfrak{o}_K its ring of integers. Let Σ_K be the set of places of K . They are of two types: the *finite places* corresponding to the maximal ideals of \mathfrak{o}_K and the *Archimedean places* corresponding to the $[K : \mathbf{Q}]$ embeddings of K in \mathbf{C} . With each maximal ideal \mathfrak{p} of \mathfrak{o}_K we associate a \mathfrak{p} -adic absolute value $|\cdot|_{\mathfrak{p}}$ on K normalized in the following way: let ϖ be a uniformizing element, then

$$|\varpi|_{\mathfrak{p}} = N(\mathfrak{p})^{-1},$$

where $N(\mathfrak{p})$ is the norm of the ideal \mathfrak{p} , that is to say the cardinality of $\mathfrak{o}_K/\mathfrak{p}$. If $K_{\mathfrak{p}}$ denotes the completion of K for this absolute value and p the prime number such that $(p) = \mathfrak{p} \cap \mathbf{Z}$, we have

$$|p|_{\mathfrak{p}} = p^{-[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p]}. \quad (0.1)$$

Every embedding $\sigma : K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}$ defines an absolute value on K by $|x|_{\sigma} := |\sigma(x)|$, where $|\cdot|$ is the usual absolute value on \mathbf{C} .

Let $x \in K \setminus \{0\}$. With this normalizations, the *product formula* is:

$$\prod_{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_K} |x|_{\mathfrak{p}} \prod_{\sigma : K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}} |x|_{\sigma} = 1. \quad (0.2)$$

1 α -analytic formal subschemes

This notion of α -analytic formal subscheme is due to C. Gasbarri; it is called *LG-germ of type α* in his article [Gasbarri, 2010]. We give here some details about this condition.

Let K be a number field. If A is a commutative unit ring, a n -tuple of formal series $f = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$ in n variables with coefficients in A is invertible for the composition law if and only if $f(0, \dots, 0) = (0, \dots, 0)$ and $Df(0) \in \text{GL}_n(A)$. Hence the group of automorphisms $\text{Aut}(\hat{\mathbf{A}}_{K,0}^n)$ of the formal completion of \mathbf{A}_K^n at 0 can be identified to the n -tuples of formal series in n variables $f = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$, $f_i \in K[[X_1, \dots, X_n]]$ such that $f(0) = 0$ and

$$Df(0) = \left[\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(0) \right]_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \in \text{GL}_n(K).$$

Definition 1.1. Let G_{an} denote the subgroup of $\text{Aut}(\hat{\mathbf{A}}_{K,0}^n)$ of the formal automorphisms $f = (f_1, \dots, f_n) \in \text{Aut}(\hat{\mathbf{A}}_{K,0}^n)$ such that, for all $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, the series f_i has a positive radius of convergence at each place of K .

If $I = (i_1, \dots, i_n)$ is a multi-index, we define the factorial of I as $I! = \prod_{j=1}^n i_j!$.

Definition 1.2. For any $a \geq 0$, let $G_{\text{an},a}$ be the subset of formal automorphisms $f = (f_1, \dots, f_n) \in G_{\text{an}}$, $f_i = \sum_I f_{i,I} X^I$, such that there exist a finite subset S of place of K , containing all Archimedean places, and a family $(C_{\mathfrak{p}})_{\mathfrak{p} \notin S}$ of real numbers such that

$$\forall \mathfrak{p} \notin S, C_{\mathfrak{p}} \geq 1 \text{ and } \prod_{\mathfrak{p} \notin S} C_{\mathfrak{p}} < \infty,$$

and, for all $\mathfrak{p} \notin S$,

$$\|f_{i,I}\|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq \frac{C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{|I|}}{\|I!\|_{\mathfrak{p}}^a}.$$

Lemma 1.3. Let $a \in \mathbf{R}_+$ and let $f = (f_1, \dots, f_n) \in G_{\text{an},a}$. Then there exists a finite subset S of finite places of K and a family $(C_{\mathfrak{p}})_{\mathfrak{p} \notin S}$ of real number at least equal to 1 such that for every $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ the radius of convergence of f_j is at least $C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-1} p^{-\frac{a[K_{\mathfrak{p}}:\mathbf{Q}_p]}{p-1}}$ and

$$\text{for all } r \in [0, C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-1} p^{-\frac{a[K_{\mathfrak{p}}:\mathbf{Q}_p]}{p-1}}[, \sup_{|z|_p \leq r} |f_i(z)|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq C_{\mathfrak{p}} r,$$

and

$$\prod_{\mathfrak{p} \notin S} C_{\mathfrak{p}} < \infty.$$

Proof. Let $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and let S and $(C_{\mathfrak{p}})_{\mathfrak{p} \notin S}$ be as in the definition. Then f_j has a radius of convergence at least equal to $C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-1} p^{-\frac{a[K_{\mathfrak{p}}:\mathbf{Q}_p]}{p-1}}$, and for all real numbers $r < C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-1} p^{-\frac{a[K_{\mathfrak{p}}:\mathbf{Q}_p]}{p-1}}$ we have

$$\sup_{|z|_p \leq r} |f_i(z)|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq \max_I |f_{i,I}|_{\mathfrak{p}} r^{|I|} \leq r C_{\mathfrak{p}} \max_I (C_{\mathfrak{p}} r p^{\frac{a[K_{\mathfrak{p}}:\mathbf{Q}_p]}{p-1}})^{|I|-1} \leq C_{\mathfrak{p}} r. \quad \square$$

Let X be a projective algebraic variety of dimension n defined over a number field K and let P be a smooth K -rational point of X . Let \widehat{V} be a smooth formal subscheme of dimension d of the formal completion \widehat{X}_P of X at P .

Theorem 1.4. There is a unique way of associating with such a triple (X, \widehat{V}, P) a number $\alpha(X, \widehat{V}, P)$ in $\mathbf{R}_+ \cup \{\infty\}$ such that:

1. If $(X, \widehat{V}, P) = (\mathbf{A}_K^n, \widehat{V}, (0, \dots, 0))$, $\alpha(X, \widehat{V}, P)$ is the infimum in $\mathbf{R}_+ \cup \{+\infty\}$ of the $a \in \mathbf{R}_+$ such that there exists $f \in G_{\text{an},a}$ such that $f^* \widehat{V} = \mathbf{A}^d$. (If the set of such a 's is empty, $\alpha(X, \widehat{V}, P) = \infty$.)
2. If $X \rightarrow X'$ is a closed immersion, then $\alpha(X, \widehat{V}, P) = \alpha(X', \widehat{V}, P)$.
3. If there exist a triple (X', \widehat{V}', P') and a morphism $X \rightarrow X'$, étale at P , mapping P on P' and inducing an automorphism $\widehat{V} \simeq \widehat{V}'$, then $\alpha(X, \widehat{V}, P) = \alpha(X', \widehat{V}', P')$.

Proof. We first show that Conditions 1, 2 and 3 determine $\alpha(X, \widehat{V}, P)$ for all (X, \widehat{V}, P) . Let (X, \widehat{V}, P) be a triple, U an open subset of X containing P , and $f : U \rightarrow \mathbf{A}_K^n$ an étale morphism mapping P to 0. Then, it follows from point 3 that $\alpha(U, \widehat{V}, P) = \alpha(\mathbf{A}_K^n, f_*\widehat{V}, 0)$ which is well-defined because of 1. Since the inclusion $(U, P) \hookrightarrow (X, P)$ is étale, we get also $\alpha(X, \widehat{V}, P) = \alpha(U, \widehat{V}, P)$ from point 3.

Let $f : U \rightarrow \mathbf{A}_K^n$ be étale at P . We prove that $\alpha(\mathbf{A}_K^n, f_*\widehat{V}, 0)$ does not depend on the choice of such an f . There is a model \mathcal{U} of U , of finite type over $\mathrm{Spec} \, \mathfrak{o}_K[\frac{1}{N}]$, and an étale morphism $\phi : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}_{\mathfrak{o}_K[\frac{1}{N}]}^n$ whose restriction to the generic fiber is equal to f and such that the rational point P extends to a section \mathcal{P} of the morphism $\mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathrm{Spec} \, \mathfrak{o}_K[\frac{1}{N}]$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{U} & \longrightarrow & U \\ \mathcal{P} \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathrm{Spec} \, \mathfrak{o}_K[\frac{1}{N}] & \longrightarrow & \mathrm{Spec} \, K \end{array}$$

This étale morphism induces an *isomorphism* of formal subschemes $\hat{\phi} : \hat{\mathcal{U}}_{\mathcal{P}} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{\mathfrak{o}_K[\frac{1}{N}], 0}^n$ (see for instance [Liu, 2002], 4.3.2. Prop 3.26).

If f and g are two morphisms from U to \mathbf{A}_K^n étale at P , we can choose ϕ and γ as above, defined over the same model \mathcal{U} . Then, formally inverting ϕ , we have $\hat{\gamma} \circ \hat{\phi}^{-1} \in \mathfrak{o}_K[\frac{1}{N}][[X_1, \dots, X_n]]^n$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U & \xrightarrow{f} & \mathbf{A}_K^n \\ \downarrow g & & \\ \mathbf{A}_K^n & & \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \hat{\mathcal{U}}_P & \xrightarrow{\hat{\phi}} & \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{\mathfrak{o}_K[\frac{1}{N}], 0}^n \\ \downarrow \hat{\gamma} & \nearrow \hat{\gamma} \circ \hat{\phi}^{-1} & \\ \hat{\mathbf{A}}_{\mathfrak{o}_K[\frac{1}{N}], 0}^n & & \end{array}$$

For every prime ideal \mathfrak{p} of \mathfrak{o}_K containing no prime factor of N , the \mathfrak{p} -adic norm of the coefficients of $\hat{g} \circ \hat{f}^{-1}$ is at most 1, and hence

$$\alpha(\mathbf{A}_K^n, f_*\widehat{V}, 0) = \alpha(\mathbf{A}_K^n, g_*\widehat{V}, 0). \quad \square$$

Definition 1.5. Let (X, \widehat{V}, P) be a triple as above, and let α be a non-negative real number. We will say that the formal subscheme \widehat{V} is α -analytic if $\alpha \geq \alpha(X, \widehat{V}, P)$.

2 α -arithmetic formal subschemes

2.1 Evaluation morphisms

Let X be a projective variety over K . Let $P \in X(K)$ and \widehat{V} be a smooth formal subscheme (of dimension d) of the formal completion \widehat{X}_P of X at P . For

all non-negative integers k , let $(V)_k$ denote the k -th infinitesimal neighborhood of P in \widehat{V} . Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned}\{P\} &= (V)_0, \\ (V)_k &\subseteq (V)_{k+1}, \\ \widehat{V} &= \varinjlim_k (V)_k.\end{aligned}$$

Let L be an ample line bundle on X . For all non-negative integers D, k we define the following K -vector spaces and K -linear applications:

$$\begin{aligned}E_D &= \Gamma(X, L^{\otimes D}), \\ \eta_D : E_D &\rightarrow \Gamma(\widehat{V}, L^D) \\ s &\mapsto s|_{\widehat{V}}, \\ \eta_D^k : E_D &\rightarrow \Gamma((V)_k, L^D) \\ s &\mapsto s|_{(V)_k}.\end{aligned}$$

The vector spaces

$$E_D^k = \ker \eta_D^{k-1} = \{s \in \Gamma(X, L^{\otimes D}) \mid s|_{(V)_{k-1}} = 0\}$$

define a descending filtration of E_D .

The kernel of the restriction map from $\Gamma((V)_k, L^D)$ to $\Gamma((V)_{k-1}, L^D)$ is isomorphic to $\mathrm{Sym}^k \left(\Omega_{\widehat{V}}^1 \right) \otimes L_P^D$ (see [Viada, 2001], Paragraph 4.2.5 or [Viada, 2005], Paragraph 2.2). Thus the map η_D^k restricted to E_D^k induces linear map

$$\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}}^k : E_D^k \longrightarrow \mathrm{Sym}^k \left(\Omega_{\widehat{V}}^1 \right) \otimes L_P^D, \quad (2.1)$$

which, roughly speaking, maps a section of L^D vanishing at P with order k along \widehat{V} to the $(k+1)$ -th ‘‘Taylor coefficient’’ of its restriction to \widehat{V} . By definition, the kernel of $\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}}^k$ is equal to E_D^{k+1} .

2.2 Integral structures, Hermitian structures, heights

Let \mathcal{X} be a projective model of X over $\mathrm{Spec}(\mathfrak{o}_K)$, *i.e.* a projective scheme over $\mathrm{Spec}(\mathfrak{o}_K)$ whose generic fiber \mathcal{X}_K is isomorphic to X . The rational point P extends to a section \mathcal{P} of the morphism $\pi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathrm{Spec} \mathfrak{o}_K$. Let $\overline{\mathcal{L}}$ be a Hermitian line bundle on \mathcal{X} whose restriction $L = \mathcal{L}_K$ to X is ample.

Set $\mathcal{E}_D = \Gamma(\mathcal{X}, \overline{\mathcal{L}}^{\otimes D})$. It is a projective \mathfrak{o}_K -module of finite type. Let $\mathfrak{t}_P \widehat{V}$ be the image of $\mathcal{P}^* \Omega_{\mathcal{X}/\mathfrak{o}_K}^1$ by the map

$$\mathcal{P}^* \Omega_{\mathcal{X}/\mathfrak{o}_K}^1 \rightarrow \left(\mathcal{P}^* \Omega_{\mathcal{X}/\mathfrak{o}_K}^1 \right)_K \simeq \Omega_{X/K, P}^1 \rightarrow (T_P \widehat{V})^\vee.$$

The restriction to K of the projective \mathfrak{o}_K -module of finite type $\check{\mathfrak{t}}_P \widehat{V}$ is isomorphic to $T_P \widehat{V}^\vee$. Equipped with the dual metrics of the metrics $\|\cdot\|_\sigma$ on the \mathbf{C} -vector spaces $T_P \widehat{V} \otimes_{\mathfrak{o}_K, \sigma} \mathbf{C}$, $\check{\mathfrak{t}}_P \widehat{V}$ is a Hermitian vector bundle $\check{\mathfrak{t}}_P \widehat{V}$ on $\text{Spec } \mathfrak{o}_K$. Its symmetric powers naturally inherit a structure of \mathfrak{o}_K -Hermitian vector bundle; for all non-negative integers k , let $\|\cdot\|_{\sigma, \text{Sym}, k}$ denote the norm on $\text{Sym}^k(T_P \widehat{V})^\vee$ associated with an embedding σ of K in \mathbf{C} .

We also define a structure of Hermitian vector bundle over $\text{Spec } \mathfrak{o}_K$ on $\mathcal{E}_D := \Gamma(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{L}^{\otimes D})$. It is a projective \mathfrak{o}_K -module of finite type, and for all embedding $\sigma : K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}$ we define a metric on $\mathcal{E}_{D, \sigma} = \mathcal{E}_D \otimes_{\mathfrak{o}_K, \sigma} \mathbf{C}$ by

$$\|s\|_{\sigma, \infty} := \sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}_{K, \sigma}(\mathbf{C})} \|s(x)\|_\sigma.$$

Following H. Chen [Huayi, 2009] and É. Gaudron [Gaudron, 2008] (Paragraph 4.2), let us consider the *John norm*, denoted by $\|\cdot\|_{\sigma, J}$, associated with the norm $\|\cdot\|_{\sigma, \infty}$. By definition, this norm is, among the Hermitian norms at least equal to $\|\cdot\|_{\sigma, \infty}$, the norm whose unit has a minimal volume. These norms can be compared in the following way:

$$\|\cdot\|_{\sigma, \infty} \leq \|\cdot\|_{\sigma, J} \leq \sqrt{\text{rk}(E_D)} \|\cdot\|_{\sigma, \infty}. \quad (2.2)$$

Equipped with these norms $\|\cdot\|_{\sigma, J}$, \mathcal{E}_D has a structure of Hermitian vector bundle $\overline{\mathcal{E}_D}$ over $\text{Spec } \mathfrak{o}_K$.

Definition 2.1. Let $\overline{E}, \overline{F}$ be two Hermitian vector bundles on $\text{Spec } \mathfrak{o}_K$ and let φ be a non-zero K -linear map from $E_K = E \otimes_{\mathfrak{o}_K} K$ to $F_K = F \otimes_{\mathfrak{o}_K} K$. Let v be a place of K . The height of φ at the place v is the logarithm of the operator norm of φ extended to a linear map from E_v to F_v , where E_v and F_v are the completions of E_K and F_K at the place v :

$$h_v(\varphi) = \log \|\varphi\|_v = \log \left(\sup_{e \in E_v \setminus \{0\}} \frac{\|\varphi(e)\|_v}{\|e\|_v} \right).$$

The height of φ is the sum of the heights of φ at every place of K :

$$h(\varphi) = \sum_{\mathfrak{p}} h_{\mathfrak{p}}(\varphi) + \sum_{\sigma: K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}} h_{\sigma}(\varphi). \quad (2.3)$$

This definition of height is the usual definition in Arakelov theory. It will be useful to rewrite it in a slightly different way, so as to make the Archimedean and ultrametric places play more similar roles, as in [Chambert-Loir, 2010].

If p is a prime number, we denote by \mathbf{C}_p the completion of an algebraic closure of the field of p -adics \mathbf{Q}_p . We still denote by $|\cdot|_p$ the unique absolute value on \mathbf{Q}_p which extends the p -adic absolute value on \mathbf{Q} . Then, with every embedding σ_p of K in \mathbf{C}_p we can associate an absolute value on K by setting, for $x \in K$:

$$|x|_{\sigma_p} = |\sigma_p(x)|_p.$$

Denote by \mathbf{C}_∞ the field of complex numbers \mathbf{C} and by $|\cdot|_\infty$ the usual absolute value on $\mathbf{C}_\infty = \mathbf{C}$. Then, the Archimedean absolute values on K extending the usual absolute value on \mathbf{Q} are the $x \mapsto |\sigma(x)|_\infty$, for $\sigma : K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}$.

Proposition 2.2. *Let \overline{E} and \overline{F} be two \mathfrak{o}_K -Hermitian vector bundles and let φ be a non-trivial K -linear map from $E_K = E \otimes_{\mathfrak{o}_K} K$ to $F_K = F \otimes_{\mathfrak{o}_K} K$. Then*

$$h(\varphi) = \sum_{p \leq \infty} \sum_{\sigma: K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}_p} h_\sigma(\varphi), \quad (2.4)$$

where in the first sum the index p describes the union of the set of prime numbers and the singleton $\{\infty\}$.

Proof. It follows from the definition of the heights and the normalization (0.1) we chose for the \mathfrak{p} -adic norm on K . \square

Lemma 2.3. *Let K be a number field, $\overline{E}, \overline{F}$ two \mathfrak{o}_K -Hermitian vector bundles and set $E_K = E \otimes_{\mathfrak{o}_K} K$ and $F_K = F \otimes_{\mathfrak{o}_K} K$. Let $\varphi : E_K \rightarrow F_K$ be a non-zero K -linear map. Let K' be a finite extension of K . Then, for every maximal ideal \mathfrak{p} of \mathfrak{o}_K , we have*

$$\frac{1}{[K' : \mathbf{Q}]} \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{q} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_{K'} \\ \mathfrak{q} | \mathfrak{p}}} h_{\mathfrak{q}}(\varphi \otimes_K K') = \frac{1}{[K : \mathbf{Q}]} h_{\mathfrak{p}}(\varphi).$$

Proof. Let $K_{\mathfrak{p}}$ be the completion of K for the \mathfrak{p} -adic absolute value. The map φ extends to a map $K_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -linear we still denote by φ . Since $F_{\mathfrak{p}}$ is a $K_{\mathfrak{p}}$ -vector space of finite dimension, there exists a positive integer n such that $n\varphi$ maps $E_{\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}}$ in $F_{\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}}$. There exist positive integers ℓ and m , there exist a basis (e_1, \dots, e_ℓ) of $F_{\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}}$ and integers a_1, \dots, a_m such that $(a_1 e_1, \dots, a_m e_m)$ is a basis of $\text{Im}(n\varphi|_{E_{\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}}})$.

Then

$$\|n\varphi\|_{\mathfrak{p}} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} |a_i|_{\mathfrak{p}}.$$

Let \mathfrak{q} be a prime ideal of $\mathfrak{o}_{K'}$ lying above \mathfrak{p} . Then

$$\|n\varphi \otimes_K K'\|_{\mathfrak{q}} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} |a_i|_{\mathfrak{q}} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} |a_i|_{\mathfrak{p}}^{e_{\mathfrak{q}} f_{\mathfrak{q}}} = \|n\varphi\|_{\mathfrak{p}}^{e_{\mathfrak{q}} f_{\mathfrak{q}}}, \quad (2.5)$$

where $f_{\mathfrak{q}}$ is the residue class degree of \mathfrak{q} over \mathfrak{p} , $e_{\mathfrak{q}}$ the ramification index and their product $e_{\mathfrak{q}} f_{\mathfrak{q}}$ is equal to the local degree $[K'_{\mathfrak{q}} : K_{\mathfrak{p}}]$. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{q} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_{K'} \\ \mathfrak{q} | \mathfrak{p}}} \log \| \varphi \otimes_K K' \|_{\mathfrak{q}} &= \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{q} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_{K'} \\ \mathfrak{q} | \mathfrak{p}}} [K'_{\mathfrak{q}} : K_{\mathfrak{p}}] \log \|\varphi\|_{\mathfrak{p}} \\ &= \log \|\varphi\|_{\mathfrak{p}} [K' : K]. \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

Now we come back to the evaluation morphisms $\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}}^k$ defined by Formula (2.1). Denote by $h_J(\varphi)$ the height of $\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}}^k$ with respect to the John norms, that is to

say $h_J(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) = \sum_{\mathfrak{p}} \log \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k\|_{\mathfrak{p}} + \sum_{\sigma:K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}} \log \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k\|_{\sigma,J}$, where

$$\|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k\|_{\sigma,J} = \sup_{s \in E_{\sigma} \setminus \{0\}} \frac{\|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k(s)\|_{\sigma}}{\|s\|_{\sigma,J}}.$$

We also define the height $h(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k)$ obtained replacing the Hermitian norms on $\mathcal{E}_{D,\sigma}$ by the infinity norm, and keeping the same norms $\|\cdot\|_{\sigma, \text{Sym}^k}$ on $\text{Sym}^k(\Omega_{\widehat{V}}^1) \otimes L_P^D$,

$$h(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) = \sum_{\mathfrak{p}} \log \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k\|_{\mathfrak{p}} + \sum_{\sigma:K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}} \log \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k\|_{\sigma,\infty},$$

where $\|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k\|_{\sigma,\infty} = \sup_{s \in E_{D,\sigma}^k \setminus \{0\}} \frac{\|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k(s)\|_{\sigma, \text{Sym}^k}}{\|s\|_{\sigma,\infty}}$.

From (2.2), we have

$$h_J(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \leq h(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k). \quad (2.6)$$

2.3 α -arithmetic formal subschemes

Let X be a projective variety defined over a number field K , let P be a K -rational point of X and let \widehat{V} be a smooth formal subscheme of \widehat{X}_P . Let L be an ample line bundle on X . For all couples of non-negative integers (k, D) , denote by $\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k$ the associated evaluation morphism:

$$\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k : E_{D,\widehat{V}}^k \rightarrow \text{Sym}^k(\Omega_{\widehat{V}}^1) \otimes L_P^D,$$

where $E_{D,\widehat{V}}^k = \{s \in H^0(X, L^D) \mid s|_{(V)_{k-1}} = 0\}$.

Definition 2.4. Let α be a non-negative real number and S be a finite subset of (finite or Archimedean) places of K . A smooth formal subscheme \widehat{V} is said to be (S, α) -arithmetic if for all $\overline{\alpha} > \alpha$, there exist $C > 0$ and a family of non-negative real numbers $(C_v)_{v \in \Sigma_K}$ such that, for all non-negative integers D et k , the evaluation morphism $\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k$ satisfies

$$\frac{1}{[K:\mathbf{Q}]} \sum_{v \in \Sigma_K \setminus S} h_v(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \leq \overline{\alpha} k \log k + C(k + D), \quad (2.7)$$

and for each place v of K ,

$$h_v(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \leq C_v(k + D).$$

Definition 2.5. Let α be a non-negative real number. A smooth formal subscheme \widehat{V} is α -arithmetic if it is (S, α) -arithmetic for all finite subsets S of places of K .

Lemma 2.6. *Let X be a projective variety over a number field K , let P be a K -rational point of X and \widehat{V} be a smooth formal subscheme of \widehat{X}_P . Let K' be a finite extension of the field K and let α be a non-negative real number.*

Then the formal subscheme \widehat{V} is α -arithmetic if and only if $\widehat{V} \otimes_K K'$ is α -arithmetic.

Proof. The proof follows from the definition of α -arithmeticity and the following fact. Write $\pi : \text{Spec } \mathfrak{o}_{K'} \rightarrow \text{Spec } \mathfrak{o}_K$, let \mathfrak{q} be a maximal ideal of $\mathfrak{o}_{K'}$ and $\mathfrak{p} = \pi(\mathfrak{q})$ the maximal ideal of \mathfrak{o}_K lying under \mathfrak{q} , then, from (2.5) one has

$$h_{\mathfrak{q}}(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k \otimes_K K') = [K'_{\mathfrak{q}} : K_{\mathfrak{p}}] h_{\mathfrak{p}}(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k). \quad \square$$

The evaluation morphism defined in Paragraph 2.1 and denoted by $\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k$ depends on the choice of the ample line bundle L on X and on the choice of integral models of X and L over $\text{Spec } \mathfrak{o}_K$.

The following propositions imply the fact that, for a formal subscheme, satisfying Definition 2.5 does not depend on these choices. The arguments come from the article [Bost and Chambert-Loir, 2009], Proposition 4.7.

The independence of the choice of models can be proved exactly in the same way as the part a) of this proposition; changing the model only modify the left side by a term bounded from above by $C(k + D)$. Let us handle with the independency on the line bundle. We precise with an index the line bundle with respect to which the evaluation morphism is defined: thus, for all non-negative integers k, D , we write $E_{D,L} = \Gamma(X, L^{\otimes D})$ and $\varphi_{D,\widehat{V},L}^k$ the evaluation morphism $E_{D,L}^k \rightarrow \text{Sym}^k(\Omega_{\widehat{V}_P}^1) \otimes L_{|P}^{\otimes D}$.

Proposition 2.7. *1. Let b be a positive integer and L be an ample line bundle on X . If $\varphi_{D,\widehat{V},L}^k$ satisfies Inequality (2.7), then so does $\varphi_{D,\widehat{V},L^{\otimes b}}^k$.*

2. Let L and M be two ample line bundles on X . Assume there exists $\sigma \in \Gamma(X, M \otimes L^{-1})$ which does not vanish at P . Then there exists $C > 0$ such that $\|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V},L}^k\|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V},M}^k\|_{\mathfrak{p}} C^D$.

Proof. The evaluation morphism defined with respect to the line bundle $L^{\otimes b}$,

$$\varphi_{D,\widehat{V},L^{\otimes b}}^k : E_{D,L^{\otimes b}}^k \rightarrow \text{Sym}^k(\Omega_{\widehat{V}_P}^1) \otimes L_{|P}^{\otimes Db},$$

coincides with φ_{bD}^k . Therefore their norms are equal, and this proves the first point.

Let $s \in E_{D,L}^k$ be a section which vanishes with order k along \widehat{V} . Then $s \otimes \sigma^D \in E_{D,M}^k$. Moreover,

$$\varphi_{D,M}^k(s \otimes \sigma^D) = \varphi_{D,L}^k(s) \otimes \sigma(P)^D.$$

Thus,

$$\|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V},L}^k(s)\| = \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V},M}^k(s \otimes \sigma^D)\| \cdot \|\sigma(P)\|^{-D} \leq \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V},M}^k\| \cdot \|s\| C^D,$$

setting $C = \|\sigma\| \|\sigma(P)\|^{-1}$. \square

Proposition 2.8. *Let X be a projective variety over a number field K , let P be a smooth K -rational point of X and let \widehat{V} be a smooth formal subscheme of \widehat{X}_P . Let $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}_+$.*

If \widehat{V} is α -analytic, then \widehat{V} is α -arithmetic.

Proof. Let d denote the dimension of \widehat{V} , and $\text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}}(\mathfrak{o}_K)$ be the maximal spectrum of \mathfrak{o}_K . Assume that \widehat{V} is α -analytic and let $\bar{\alpha} > \alpha$. Then \widehat{V} is parameterized by formal series $f_1, \dots, f_n \in K[[x_1, \dots, x_d]]$, $f_i = \sum_I a_I(i) x^I$, which, at each place, have a positive radius of convergence and satisfy: there is a finite subset S of places of K containing all Archimedean places such that, for all $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}}(\mathfrak{o}_K) \setminus S$, there exists $C_{\mathfrak{p}} > 0$ such that, for all $I \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}^d$, for all $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$,

$$|a_I(i)|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq \frac{C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{|I|}}{\|I!\|_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\bar{\alpha}}}, \quad (2.8)$$

and

$$\prod_{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}}(\mathfrak{o}_K) \setminus S} C_{\mathfrak{p}} < +\infty.$$

For every place v of K , there is a non-negative real number C'_v , $C'_v = 1$ for almost every v , such that

$$h_v(\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}}^k) \leq C'_v(k + D) + \log \left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \max_{|I|=k} |a_I(i)|_v \right). \quad (2.9)$$

To give an upper bound for $\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}}^k$, we use Inequality (2.8) which gives an upper bound for the height at every place $v \in \Sigma_K \setminus S$, and the analyticity of the series f_1, \dots, f_d gives an easy upper bound for $h_v(\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}}^k)$ at the places v in the finite set S .

Thanks to the inequalities (2.9) et (2.8),

$$h_{\mathfrak{p}}(\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}}^k) \leq C'_{\mathfrak{p}}(k + D) + \log \max_{I \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}^d, |I| \leq k} \frac{C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{|I|}}{\|I!\|_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\bar{\alpha}}}.$$

If $I = (i_1, \dots, i_d) \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}^d$, then $|I|!/i_1! \dots i_d!$ is an integer, and hence $\frac{1}{\|I!\|_{\mathfrak{p}}} \leq \frac{1}{|k!|_{\mathfrak{p}}}$ if $|I| \leq k$. Then,

$$\log \|\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}}^k\|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq C'_{\mathfrak{p}}(k + D) + k \log C_{\mathfrak{p}} - \bar{\alpha} \log |k!|_{\mathfrak{p}}.$$

If $C = \log \prod_{\mathfrak{p} \notin S} C_{\mathfrak{p}}$ et $C' = \sum C'_{\mathfrak{p}}$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\mathfrak{p} \in \Sigma_K \setminus S} \log \|\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}}^k\|_{\mathfrak{p}} &\leq C'(k + D) + Ck - \bar{\alpha} \sum_{\mathfrak{p} \in \Sigma_K \setminus S} \log |k!|_{\mathfrak{p}} \\ &\leq C''(k + D) - \bar{\alpha} \sum_{\mathfrak{p} \in \Sigma_K \setminus S} \log |k!|_{\mathfrak{p}}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

Let v be a place of K . Let $r_v(i)$ be a positive real number, less than the radius of convergence of f_i . Then $|a_I(i)|_v r_v(i)^{|I|} \rightarrow 0$ when $|I|$ goes to infinity, and therefore there is a positive real number C_v such that

$$h_v(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \leq C_v(k + D). \quad (2.11)$$

Setting $C_0 = \sum_{v \in S} C_v$, finite sum of positive terms, we get

$$\sum_{v \in S} h_v(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \leq C_0(k + D). \quad (2.12)$$

From the inequalities (2.10) and (2.12) for the heights,

$$h(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) = \sum_{v \in S} h_v(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) + \sum_{\mathfrak{p} \notin S} h_{\mathfrak{p}}(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \leq C_1(k + D) - \bar{\alpha} \sum_{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_K} \log |k!|_{\mathfrak{p}}.$$

The product formula implies

$$- \sum_{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_K} \log |k!|_{\mathfrak{p}} = [K : \mathbf{Q}] \log(k!) \leq [K : \mathbf{Q}] k \log k,$$

and hence

$$h(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) = \sum_{v \in \Sigma_K} h_v(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \leq C_1(k + D) + \bar{\alpha}[K : \mathbf{Q}] k \log k.$$

Let S' be a finite subset of places of K . Since for every $v \in S'$, the height $\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k$ of the evaluation morphism at the place v satisfies the simple inequality (2.11), we also get, by the same arguments,

$$\sum_{v \in \Sigma_K \setminus S'} h_v(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \leq C_2(k + D) + \bar{\alpha}[K : \mathbf{Q}] k \log k,$$

and this holds for any $\bar{\alpha} > \alpha$. Therefore the formal subscheme \widehat{V} is α -arithmetic. \square

The converse of Proposition 2.8 is false, we will give a counterexample at the end of next paragraph, page 21.

3 Formal germs of leaves of an algebraic foliation

Let X be a projective variety over a number field K and let d be a positive integer. A (regular) algebraic foliation of dimension d on an open subset U of X is a d -dimensional subbundle of the tangent bundle TU which is involutive, that is to say stable under Lie brackets.

In this paragraph, we will study the case of formal subschemes \widehat{V} which are germs of formal leaves of an algebraic foliation on X through a rational point.

Lemma 3.1. *Let X be a projective variety over a number field K and let P be a smooth K -rational point of X . Let F be an algebraic foliation on an open subset of X containing P and let \widehat{V} be the germ of formal leaf defined by F at P . Then \widehat{V} is 1-analytic.*

Proof. Let us recall the definition and some properties of formal leaves of an algebraic foliation and of their parametrization, following [Bost, 2001]. There is an open subset U of X containing P and regular functions x_1, \dots, x_n on U such that the map $(x_1, \dots, x_n) : U \rightarrow \mathbf{A}_K^n$ is étale and maps P to 0. We identify \widehat{X}_P with $\widehat{\mathbf{A}}_{K,0}^n = \mathrm{Spf} K[[x_1, \dots, x_n]]$ via the “local coordinates” \hat{x}_j . Let (v^1, \dots, v^d) be a basis of F on an open neighborhood V of P of commuting vector fields $v^j \in \mathfrak{o}_K[[x_1, \dots, x_n]]^n$. In the complex analytic case, the proof of this result is a classic one, see for instance the appendix of [Camacho and Lins Neto, 1985], and is quite similar in the formal case (see [Herblot, 2011]). For all $j \in \{1, \dots, d\}$, let D_j be the derivation on $K[[x_1, \dots, x_n]]$ associated with v^j , and for every multi-index $I = (i_1, \dots, i_d) \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}^d$ let D^I denote the differential operator $D_1^{i_1} \dots D_d^{i_d}$ and $I! = \prod_{j=1}^d i_j!$.

The formal leaf \widehat{V} of F through P is parameterized by $\psi : \widehat{\mathbf{A}}_{K,0}^d \times \widehat{X}_P \rightarrow \widehat{X}_P$ defined as

$$\psi(t_1, \dots, t_d, 0, \dots, 0) = \sum_{I \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}^d} \frac{t^I}{I!} D^I(x_1, \dots, x_n)(P), \quad (3.1)$$

where $t^I = \prod_{j=1}^d t_j^{i_j}$.

Let f be the morphism $f : \widehat{\mathbf{A}}_{K,0}^n \rightarrow \widehat{X}_P$ which is given by

$$f(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \psi(t_1, \dots, t_d, 0, \dots, 0) + (0, \dots, 0, t_{d+1}, \dots, t_n), \quad (3.2)$$

in terms of the local coordinates x_1, \dots, x_n on \widehat{X}_P . It satisfies $f^{-1}\widehat{V} = \widehat{\mathbf{A}}_{K,0}^d \times \{0\}^{n-d}$. To show that the formal subscheme \widehat{V} is 1-analytic, it is sufficient to prove that $f \in G_{\mathrm{an},1}$. To do so, it is sufficient to give an upper bound for the coefficients of the parametrization $\psi(t_1, \dots, t_d, 0, \dots, 0)$.

For all $I \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}^d$,

$$D^I : \mathfrak{o}_K[[x_1, \dots, x_n]] \rightarrow \mathfrak{o}_K[[x_1, \dots, x_n]].$$

Hence we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{I!} D^I(x_1, \dots, x_n)(P) \right|_{\mathfrak{p}} = |I!|_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-1} |D^I(x_1, \dots, x_n)(P)|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq |I!|_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-1}, \quad (3.3)$$

which proves that \widehat{V} is 1-analytic. \square

Remark. This inequality fulfilled by the coefficients of a parametrization of \widehat{V} is stronger than the condition of 1-analyticity. Actually, for almost every place \mathfrak{p} those coefficients are less or equal to $\frac{C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{|I|}}{|I!|_{\mathfrak{p}}}$ with $C_{\mathfrak{p}} = 1$.

If D is a derivation on a commutative ring A of positive characteristic p , then from the Leibniz rule its p -th composite D^p is still a derivation on A . Let X be a projective variety over a number field K . Let F be an algebraic foliation on a smooth open subset U of X , defined over K . Let N be a positive integer such that there exist a smooth model \mathcal{U} of U over $\mathfrak{o}_K[1/N]$ and an involutive subbundle \mathcal{F} of $T\mathcal{U}$ with generic fiber F . Let \mathfrak{p} be a maximal ideal of $\mathfrak{o}_K[1/N]$, denote by $\mathbf{F}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ its residue field and by p the characteristic of $\mathbf{F}_{\mathfrak{p}}$. We say that \mathcal{F} has *vanishing \mathfrak{p} -curvature* if the subbundle $\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathbf{F}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ of $T(\mathcal{U} \otimes \mathbf{F}_{\mathfrak{p}})$ is stable under its p -th power.

For almost every \mathfrak{p} , this notion does not depend of the choices of \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{F} we made. Hence we will say in that case that F has *vanishing \mathfrak{p} -curvature*. (For more details about involutive vector bundles in positive characteristic, see [Miyaoka, 1987].)

Lemma 3.2. *Let X be a projective variety defined over a number field K , and let P be a smooth K -rational point of X . Let F be an algebraic foliation defined on an open subset of X containing P and let \hat{V} be the germ of formal leaf of F through P . Assume that almost every \mathfrak{p} -curvature (that is to say all but finitely many) of F vanishes.*

Then \hat{V} is 0-analytic.

Proof. Let \mathfrak{p} be a maximal ideal of \mathfrak{o}_K and p be the prime number such that $(p) = \mathfrak{p} \cap \mathbf{Z}$. Let f be the residue class degree, that is to say the degree of the field extension $\mathfrak{o}_K/\mathfrak{p}$ over \mathbf{F}_p , so that $\mathfrak{o}_K/\mathfrak{p} = \mathbf{F}_{p^f}$. Let $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}$ be the completion of \mathfrak{o}_K for the \mathfrak{p} -adic absolute value. Let ϖ be a uniformizing element of $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}$, $(p) = (\varpi)^e$ where e is the absolute ramification index.

Let $I = (i_1, \dots, i_d) \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}^d$. The derivation $D^I = D_1^{i_1} \dots D_d^{i_d}$ acts on $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}[[x_1, \dots, x_n]]^n$. Moreover, if the \mathfrak{p} -curvature vanishes, D_i^p maps $\mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}[[x_1, \dots, x_n]]^n$ into $\varpi \mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}[[x_1, \dots, x_n]]^n$. Let $g \in \mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}[[x_1, \dots, x_n]]^n$. For all $j \in \{1, \dots, d\}$ we write $i_j = q_j p + r_j$ the Euclidean Division of i_j by p and set $q = \sum_{j=1}^d q_j$. Then

$$D^I(g) = D_1^{q_1 p + r_1} \dots D_d^{q_d p + r_d}(g) = (D_1^p)^{q_1} D_1^{r_1} \dots (D_d^p)^{q_d} (D_d^{r_d}(g)),$$

and finally $D^I(g) \in \varpi^q \mathfrak{o}_{\mathfrak{p}}[[x_1, \dots, x_n]]^n$.

The germ of formal leaf defined by the foliation at P is parameterized by

$$\psi(t_1, \dots, t_d, x_1(P), \dots, x_n(P)) = \sum_{I \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}^d} \frac{t^I}{I!} D^I X(P),$$

with $X = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$.

Now, we give an upper bound for the coefficients of the parametrization ψ :

$$\left| \frac{1}{I!} D^I X(0) \right|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq |I!|_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-1} |\varpi|_{\mathfrak{p}}^q \leq p^{[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p]} \left(\sum_{j=1}^d v_p(i_j) - \frac{1}{e} \lfloor \frac{i_j}{p} \rfloor \right). \quad (3.4)$$

Recall the normalization of the \mathfrak{p} -adic absolute value we chose. Let ω be a uniformizing element at \mathfrak{p} , we have:

$$|p|_{\mathfrak{p}} = N(\mathfrak{p})^{-e} = p^{-[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p]},$$

$$|\omega|_{\mathfrak{p}} = N(\mathfrak{p})^{-1} = p^{-f} = p^{-\frac{[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p]}{e}}.$$

We recall that if a is a non-negative integer, then $v_p(a!) - \left\lfloor \frac{a}{p} \right\rfloor \leq \frac{a}{p(p-1)}$, because the p -adic valuation of $a!$ is $v_p(a!) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left\lfloor \frac{a}{p^k} \right\rfloor$. If $e = 1$, this remark and the inequality (3.4) imply the following inequality:

$$\left| \frac{1}{I!} D^I X(0) \right|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq p^{[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \sum_{j=1}^d \frac{i_j}{p(p-1)}} \leq p^{[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \frac{|I|}{p(p-1)}} = |p|_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-\frac{|I|}{p(p-1)}}. \quad (3.5)$$

Let S be the finite subset of the ramified ideals \mathfrak{p} . For all $\mathfrak{p} \notin S$, the ramification index e is equal to 1 and Inequality (3.5) holds. For $\mathfrak{p} \in S$, we set

$$C_{\mathfrak{p}} = p^{\frac{[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p]}{p(p-1)}}.$$

The sum $\sum_{\mathfrak{p} \notin S} \log C_{\mathfrak{p}} = \sum \frac{\log p}{p(p-1)} [K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p]$ converges and

$$\left| \frac{1}{I!} D^I X(0) \right|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{|I|},$$

so \widehat{V} is 0-analytic. □

3.1 Density of vanishing \mathfrak{p} -curvatures

In this paragraph, we define a density β in $[0, 1]$ of vanishing \mathfrak{p} -curvatures of the foliation F , which is equal to 1 without any additional assumption on the foliation and 0 if almost every \mathfrak{p} -curvature vanishes. This density is related to the notion of α -arithmetic formal subscheme: a formal leaf with a density β of vanishing \mathfrak{p} -curvatures is $(1 - \beta)$ -arithmetic (Proposition 3.6). With this definition, Theorem 6.1 gives, in the Archimedean case, a kind of “interpolation” between the classic Schneider-Lang theorem (when the density of vanishing \mathfrak{p} -curvatures is zero) and (when almost every \mathfrak{p} -curvature vanishes) an algebraicity theorem close to the theorem by J.-B. Bost in his article [Bost, 2001].

Lemma 3.3. *Assume that \widehat{V} is the germ of formal leaf of an algebraic foliation at a rational point. Then the evaluation morphism satisfies the following properties: there exists a finite set S of maximal ideals of \mathfrak{o}_K such that, for every $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_K \setminus S$, for every $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and $D \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$,*

$$h_{\mathfrak{p}}(\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}}^k) \leq k \frac{[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \log p}{p - 1}, \quad (3.6)$$

and if moreover $k < p$, we have:

$$h_{\mathfrak{p}}(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \leq 0. \quad (3.7)$$

Let \mathfrak{p} be a maximal ideal of \mathfrak{o}_K , $\mathfrak{p} \notin S$, such that the \mathfrak{p} -curvature of F vanishes. Then

$$h_{\mathfrak{p}}(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \leq k \frac{[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \log p}{p(p-1)}. \quad (3.8)$$

Proof. The inequalities (3.6) and (3.7) follow from Inequality (3.3). If moreover the \mathfrak{p} -curvature vanishes, from Inequality (3.5) we get (3.8). \square

For every $x \in \mathbf{R}_+^*$, we define

$$\psi_K(x) = \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_K \\ \text{s.t. } p \leq x}} [K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \frac{\log p}{p-1}.$$

Lemma 3.4. *Let K be a number field. Then, when k goes to $+\infty$,*

$$\psi_K(k) \sim [K : \mathbf{Q}] \log k.$$

Proof. The function ψ_K satisfies $\psi_K = [K : \mathbf{Q}] \psi_{\mathbf{Q}}$, and it is well-known that $\psi_{\mathbf{Q}}(k) \sim \log k$ when k goes to ∞ (see for instance [Tenenbaum, 1995] Chapter I.1, Theorem 7). \square

Definition 3.5. *Let F be an algebraic foliation on X . For every $x \in \mathbf{R}_+$, we set*

$$\beta_x = \frac{1}{\psi_K(x)} \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{p} \text{ s.t. } p \leq x, \\ \mathfrak{p}\text{-curvature}(F)=0}} \frac{[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \log p}{p-1}.$$

We call (inferior) density of vanishing \mathfrak{p} -curvatures the following real number between 0 et 1:

$$\beta = \varliminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} \beta_x. \quad (3.9)$$

Proposition 3.6. *Let X be a projective variety defined over a number field K and let P be a smooth K -rational point of X . Let F be an algebraic foliation defined on an open subset of X containing P and let \widehat{V} be the germ of formal leaf of F through P .*

Let β be the density of vanishing \mathfrak{p} -curvatures of F . Then \widehat{V} is $(1 - \beta)$ -arithmetic.

Proof. Let S be a finite subset of places of K . We want to show that for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a non-negative real number C such that, for all k, D ,

$$\sum_{v \in \Sigma_K \setminus S} h_v(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \leq C(k + D) + (1 - \beta + \varepsilon)k \log k.$$

Since the formal subscheme \widehat{V} is the germ of leaf of an algebraic foliation, it is 1-arithmetic and hence, for every place v of K , there is a non-negative real number C_v such that, for every $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and $D \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$,

$$h_v(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \leq C_v(k + D).$$

Let A be the set of maximal ideals \mathfrak{p} of \mathfrak{o}_K such that the \mathfrak{p} -curvature of F vanishes. Then, setting $C_1 = \sum_{v:K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}} C_v$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{v \in \Sigma_K \setminus S} h_v(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) &\leq C_1(k + D) + \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_K \\ p \leq k}} h_{\mathfrak{p}}(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \quad \text{from (3.7)} \\ &\leq C_1(k + D) + \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{p} \in A \\ p \leq k}} h_{\mathfrak{p}}(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) + \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_K \setminus A \\ p \leq k}} h_{\mathfrak{p}}(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}}^k) \\ &\leq C_2(k + D) + k \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{p} \in A \\ p \leq k}} \frac{[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \log p}{p(p-1)} + k \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{p} \notin A \\ p \leq k}} \frac{[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \log p}{p-1} \\ &\leq C_3(k + D) + k \sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_K \setminus A \\ p \leq k}} \frac{[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \log p}{p-1}, \end{aligned}$$

because $\sum_{\mathfrak{p} \in A} \frac{\log p}{p(p-1)} [K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] < \infty$. From Definition 3.5,

$$\sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_K \setminus A \\ p \leq k}} \frac{[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \log p}{p-1} = (1 - \beta_k) \psi_K(k).$$

Since $\beta = \varliminf_k \beta_k$, for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists k_0 such that, for every $k \geq k_0$, $\beta_k \geq \beta - \varepsilon$. Moreover, thanks to Lemma 3.4, $\psi_K(x) \sim [K : \mathbf{Q}] \log k$, so there is a non-negative real number C_4 such that, for every $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$,

$$\sum_{\substack{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_K \setminus A \\ p \leq k}} \frac{[K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \log p}{p-1} \leq C_4 + (1 - \beta + \varepsilon) [K : \mathbf{Q}] k \log k.$$

The formal subscheme \widehat{V} is therefore $(1 - \beta)$ -arithmetic. \square

Lemma 3.7. *Let X be a subset of the set of prime numbers. The natural density of X as the real number in $[0, 1]$ is defined by:*

$$d(X) = \varliminf_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\pi(N)} \sum_{\substack{2 \leq n \leq N, \\ n \in X}} 1,$$

where $\pi(N)$ denotes the number of prime numbers at most equal to N .

Then the density of X defined by

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\psi_{\mathbf{Q}}(x)} \sum_{\substack{p \in X, \\ p \leq x}} \frac{\log p}{p-1}.$$

is at least equal to the natural density $d(X)$.

Proof. Let $\mathbf{1}_X$ denote the characteristic function of X . For every integer $n \geq 2$, we set $a_n = \mathbf{1}_X(n)$, $b_n = \mathbf{1}_X(n) \frac{\log n}{n-1}$, and for all $N \geq 1$, $A(N) = \sum_{n=2}^N a_n$ and $B(N) = \sum_{n=2}^N b_n$. Hence $d(X) = \varliminf_N \frac{1}{\pi(N)} A(N)$ and the density of X is $\varliminf_N \frac{1}{\psi(N)} B(N)$, where $\psi(N) = \sum_{\substack{n \leq N, \\ n \text{ prime}}} \frac{\log n}{n-1} \sim \log(N)$ when n goes to ∞ (see Lemma 3.4).

Let $\varepsilon > 0$, and let M be an integer such that for all $n \geq M$,

$$\frac{1}{\pi(n)} A(n) > d(X) - \varepsilon. \quad (3.10)$$

For every $N \geq 2$,

$$B(N) = \frac{\log N}{N-1} A(N) - \sum_{n=2}^{N-1} A(n) \left(\frac{\log(n+1)}{n} - \frac{\log n}{n-1} \right),$$

by an Abel summation. When N goes to ∞ ,

$$\frac{1}{\pi(N)} B(N) \geq \frac{d(X) - \varepsilon}{\psi(N)} \sum_{n=M}^{N-1} \pi(n) \left(\frac{\log n}{n-1} - \frac{\log(n+1)}{n} \right) + o(1). \quad (3.11)$$

Since $\frac{\log n}{n-1} - \frac{\log(n+1)}{n} \sim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log n}{n^2}$ and $\pi(n) \sim \frac{n}{\log n}$,

$$\frac{1}{\pi(N)} B(N) \geq \frac{d(X) - \varepsilon}{\psi(N)} \sum_{n=M}^{N-1} \frac{1}{n} + \frac{d(X) - \varepsilon}{\psi(N)} o \left(\sum_{n=M}^{N-1} \frac{1}{n} \right) + o(1).$$

Since $\psi(N) \sim \log N$ (Lemma 3.4), letting ε go to 0 we conclude that the density $\varliminf_N \frac{1}{\pi(N)} B(N)$ is at least $d(X)$. \square

We proved in Proposition 2.8 that an α -analytic formal subscheme is α -arithmetic. The converse does not hold, and here is an example of an α -arithmetic formal subscheme which is not α -analytic.

Let b be an algebraic number. Then the formal series x and y defined by

$$x(t) = (1+t)^b = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{t^n}{n!} b(b-1) \dots (b-n+1),$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{1+t} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-t)^n,$$

satisfy the following differential equation:

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) &= bx(t)y(t) \\ y'(t) &= -y(t)^2. \end{cases}$$

Let $K = \mathbf{Q}(b)$, let d denote the degree of K and let F_b be the algebraic foliation over K (of dimension 1) generated by the vector field

$$D = bx \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - y \frac{\partial}{\partial y}.$$

Lemma 3.8. *Assume b to be irrational. Then the germ of formal leaf of F_b through $(1, 1)$ is α -analytic if and only if $\alpha \geq 1$.*

Proof. It follows from Lemma 3.1, that the germ of formal leaf of F_b through $(1, 1)$ is 1-analytic. Let $\alpha \leq 1$ and assume that this germ of formal leaf is α -arithmetic. Then, by Lemma 1.3, there is a finite subset S of finite places of K , there is a family $(C_{\mathfrak{p}})_{\mathfrak{p} \notin S}$ of real numbers at least 1 with $\prod_{\mathfrak{p} \notin S} C_{\mathfrak{p}} < \infty$ such that, for all $r \in [0, C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-1} p^{-\frac{\alpha}{p-1} [K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p]}]$,

$$\sup_{t \in \mathbf{C}_p \text{ s.t. } |t|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq r} |x(t)|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq C_{\mathfrak{p}} r. \quad (3.12)$$

Let \mathfrak{p} be such that b is not equal to a rational integer modulo \mathfrak{p} . Then, for all r less than the radius of convergence of x ,

$$\sup_{|t|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq r} |x(t)|_{\mathfrak{p}} = \max_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \frac{r^n}{|n!|_{\mathfrak{p}}}.$$

Thus, for all $r < C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-1} p^{-\frac{\alpha}{p-1} [K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p]}$,

$$\log \sup_{|t|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq r} |x(t)|_{\mathfrak{p}} \geq \max_n \left(n \log r + \left(\frac{n}{p-1} - \left\lceil \frac{\log n}{\log p} \right\rceil \right) [K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \log p \right).$$

From this inequality and Inequality (3.12), letting r go to $C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{-1} p^{-\frac{\alpha}{p-1} [K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p]}$ we obtain that for all $n \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$,

$$\log C_{\mathfrak{p}} \geq \max_n (1 - \alpha) \frac{\log p}{p-1} [K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] + \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{\alpha}{p-1} - \left\lceil \frac{\log n}{\log p} \right\rceil \right) [K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \log p,$$

and therefore $\log C_{\mathfrak{p}} \geq (1 - \alpha) [K_{\mathfrak{p}} : \mathbf{Q}_p] \frac{\log p}{p-1}$ for all $\mathfrak{p} \in \mathfrak{o}_K$ such that b is not a rational integer modulo \mathfrak{p} . From the Cheborarev theorem, since b is irrational the (natural) density of such \mathfrak{p} is positive, and thus from Lemma 3.7 the sum of $\log C_{\mathfrak{p}}$ over those \mathfrak{p} diverges unless $\alpha = 1$, and the germ of formal leaf of F_b through $(1, 1)$ is not α -arithmetic for $\alpha < 1$. \square

Lemma 3.9. *Assume that the extension $\mathbf{Q}(b)$ of \mathbf{Q} is Galois. Then the germ of formal leaf of F_b through the point $(1, 1)$ is $\left(1 - \frac{1}{[\mathbf{Q}(b) : \mathbf{Q}]}\right)$ -arithmetic.*

Proof. From the binomial theorem, for every prime number p ,

$$D^p = \sum_{n=0}^p \binom{p}{n} \left(bx \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)^n \left(-y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right)^{p-n}.$$

Let \mathfrak{p} be a maximal ideal of \mathfrak{o}_K and let p be the characteristic of the residue field $\mathfrak{o}_K/\mathfrak{p}$. Then D^p is still a derivation after reduction modulo \mathfrak{p} , and the \mathfrak{p} -curvature of F_b vanishes if and only if F_b modulo \mathfrak{p} is stable under p -power. Since

$$\begin{aligned} D^p &= \left(bx \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)^p + \left(-y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right)^p \pmod{\mathfrak{p}} \\ &= b^p x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + (-1)^p y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \pmod{\mathfrak{p}}, \end{aligned}$$

the \mathfrak{p} -curvature of F_b vanishes if and only if

$$b^p = b \pmod{\mathfrak{p}}. \quad (3.13)$$

It follows from the Chebotarev density theorem ([Lang, 1994] Theorem 10 page 169) that the natural density of vanishing \mathfrak{p} -curvatures of F_b is equal to $\frac{1}{[\mathbf{Q}(b):\mathbf{Q}]}$. Hence, it follows from Lemma 3.7 that the density defined by (3.9) of vanishing \mathfrak{p} -curvatures is at least equal to $\frac{1}{[\mathbf{Q}(b):\mathbf{Q}]}$, and from Proposition 3.6, the leaf of F_b through $(1, 1)$ is therefore $\left(1 - \frac{1}{[\mathbf{Q}(b):\mathbf{Q}]}\right)$ -arithmetic. \square

4 Formal subschemes based at a closed point

Until now, we considered formal subschemes of the formal completion of a projective variety at a rational point. In this paragraph, we will define the α -*analyticity* of a smooth formal subscheme of the formal completion at any closed point, so as the associated evaluation morphisms, and then we will define what it means for such a formal subscheme to be α -*arithmetic*.

Let X be a projective variety of dimension n over a number field K and let P be a smooth closed point of X . Let $K(P)$ denote the residue field of P . Then the formal completion \widehat{X}_P of X at P is isomorphic to the formal spectrum of the ring $K(P)[[t_1, \dots, t_n]]$. Let K' be a Galois extension of K containing the residue field $K(P)$. When we extend scalars from K to K' , $\mathrm{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} K(P)[[t_1, \dots, t_n]]$ decomposes in a disjoint union of formal schemes $\mathrm{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} K'[[t_1, \dots, t_n]]$ indexed by the set of embeddings of $K(P)$ in K' :

$$\widehat{X}_P \simeq \bigsqcup_{\sigma: K(P) \hookrightarrow K'} \mathrm{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} K'[[t_1, \dots, t_n]].$$

Let \widehat{V} be a smooth formal subscheme of dimension d of \widehat{X}_P . Let $I_{\widehat{V}}$ the ideal of $K(P)[[t_1, \dots, t_n]]$ defining \widehat{V} . When we extend scalars from K to K' , the

formal subscheme \widehat{V} decomposes into a disjoint union of K' -formal subschemes, indexed by the embeddings of $K(P)$ in K' :

$$\widehat{V} \otimes_K K' = \bigsqcup_{\sigma: K(P) \hookrightarrow K'} \widehat{V}_\sigma, \quad (4.1)$$

where \widehat{V}_σ is defined by the ideal $I_{\widehat{V}} \otimes_{K(P), \sigma} K' \subseteq K'[[t_1, \dots, t_n]]$.

Lemma 4.1. *Let X be a projective variety defined over a number field K and let P be a closed point of X . Let \widehat{V} be a smooth formal subscheme of \widehat{X}_P . Let K' be a Galois extension of K containing the residue field $K(P)$ of P . Let α be a non-negative real number. If there exists an embedding $\tilde{\sigma}$ of $K(P)$ in K' such that $\widehat{V}_{\tilde{\sigma}}$ is α -analytic, then for every embedding $\sigma : K(P) \hookrightarrow K'$, \widehat{V}_σ is α -analytic.*

Proof. We denote by n the dimension of X and by d the dimension of \widehat{V} . Let $\bar{\alpha} > \alpha$. Since $\widehat{V}_{\tilde{\sigma}}$ is α -analytic, it can be parameterized by formal series $f_1, \dots, f_n \in K[[x_1, \dots, x_d]]$, $f_i = \sum_I a_I(i) x^I$, which, at every place of K' , have a positive radius of convergence and satisfy: there exists a finite subset S of places K' such that, for every $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}}(\mathfrak{o}_{K'}) \setminus S$, there exists $C_{\mathfrak{p}} > 0$ such that, for every $I \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}^d$, for every $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$,

$$\|a_I(i)\|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq \frac{C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{|I|}}{\|I!\|_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\bar{\alpha}}},$$

$$\prod_{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_{K'}} C_{\mathfrak{p}} < \infty.$$

Let σ be an embedding of $K(P)$ in K' . There exists $\gamma \in \text{Gal}(K'/K(P))$ such that $\sigma = \gamma \tilde{\sigma}$. The formal subscheme $\widehat{V}_{\gamma \tilde{\sigma}}$ is parameterized by $\gamma \circ f_1, \dots, \gamma \circ f_n$ whose coefficients are the $\gamma(a_I(1)), \dots, \gamma(a_I(n))$. Let \mathfrak{p} be a maximal ideal of $\mathfrak{o}_{K'}$. Then

$$\|\gamma(a_I(i))\|_{\mathfrak{p}} = \|\gamma(a_I(i))\|_{\gamma(\gamma^{-1}(\mathfrak{p}))} = \|a_I(i)\|_{\gamma^{-1}(\mathfrak{p})} \leq \frac{C_{\gamma^{-1}(\mathfrak{p})}^{|I|}}{\|I!\|_{\gamma^{-1}(\mathfrak{p})}^{\bar{\alpha}}}.$$

As $\gamma|_{\mathbf{Q}}$ is the identity map, $\gamma^{-1}(\mathfrak{p}) \cap \mathbf{Z} = \mathfrak{p} \cap \mathbf{Z}$, and hence the integers have the same \mathfrak{p} -adic and $\gamma^{-1}(\mathfrak{p})$ -adic valuations. So we get

$$\|\gamma(a_I(i))\|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq \frac{C_{\gamma^{-1}(\mathfrak{p})}^{|I|}}{\|I!\|_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\bar{\alpha}}}.$$

Moreover,

$$\prod_{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_{K'}} C_{\gamma^{-1}(\mathfrak{p})} = \prod_{\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}} \mathfrak{o}_{K'}} C_{\mathfrak{p}} < \infty.$$

The formal subscheme $\widehat{V}_\sigma = \widehat{V}_{\gamma \tilde{\sigma}}$ is hence α -analytic. \square

Definition 4.2. Let X be a projective variety defined over a number field K and let P be a closed point of X . Let \widehat{V} be a smooth formal subscheme of \widehat{X}_P . Let K' be a Galois extension of K containing the residue field $K(P)$. Let α be a non-negative real number. The formal subscheme \widehat{V} is said to be α -analytic over K' if for every embedding $\sigma : K(P) \hookrightarrow K'$, \widehat{V}_σ is α -analytic.

Lemma 4.3. Let X be a projective variety defined over a number field K and let P be a closed point of X . Let \widehat{V} be a smooth formal subscheme of \widehat{X}_P . Let K' be a Galois extension of K containing the residue field $K(P)$ and let α be a non-negative real number.

If \widehat{V} is α -analytic over K' , then \widehat{V} is α -analytic over K'' for every finite extension K'' of K' .

Proof. Let $\overline{\alpha} > \alpha$. Let σ be an embedding of $K(P)$ in K' and let $a_I(i) \in K'$ be the coefficients of a parametrization of \widehat{V}_σ . If \widehat{V} is α -analytic over K' , there exists a finite subset S of places of K' such that, for every $\mathfrak{p} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}}(\mathfrak{o}_{K'}) \setminus S$,

$$\|a_I(i)\|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq \frac{C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{|I|}}{\|I\|_{\mathfrak{p}}^{\overline{\alpha}}}.$$

If we denote by i the inclusion of K' in K'' , then $i \circ \sigma$ is an embedding of $K(P)$ in K'' and the $a_I(i)$ are the coefficients of a parametrization of $\widehat{V}_{i \circ \sigma}$. By Lemma 4.1, it is sufficient to prove that $\widehat{V}_{i \circ \sigma}$ is α -analytic over K'' . Let S' be the set of the maximal ideals of K'' lying above the maximal ideals of K' which are in S . Let $\mathfrak{q} \in \text{Spec}_{\mathfrak{m}}(\mathfrak{o}_{K'}) \setminus S'$ and let \mathfrak{p} be the maximal ideal of K' lying under \mathfrak{q} . Then $\|a_I(i)\|_{\mathfrak{q}} = \|a_I(i)\|_{\mathfrak{p}}^{[K''_{\mathfrak{q}}:K'_{\mathfrak{p}}]}$. Since $\prod_{\mathfrak{q} \notin S'} C_{\mathfrak{p}}^{[K''_{\mathfrak{q}}:K'_{\mathfrak{p}}]} = \left(\prod_{\mathfrak{p} \notin S} C_{\mathfrak{p}} \right)^{[K:\mathbb{Q}]}$ converges, $\widehat{V}_{i \circ \sigma}$ is α -analytic over K'' . \square

Definition 4.4. Let X be a projective variety defined over a number field K and let P be a closed point of X . Let \widehat{V} be a smooth formal subscheme of \widehat{X}_P . Let α be a non-negative real number. The formal subscheme \widehat{V} is said to be α -analytic if there exists a Galois extension K' of K , containing the residue field $K(P)$ of P such that \widehat{V} is α -analytic over K' .

We also define a notion of α -arithmeticity for such a formal subscheme, based at a closed point. Let σ be an embedding of $K(P)$ in K' , with K' a Galois extension of K containing $K(P)$. We recall the definition of the evaluation morphisms along the formal subscheme \widehat{V}_σ . For every non-negative integer k , let $(V_\sigma)_k$ be the k -th infinitesimal neighborhood of P^σ in \widehat{V}_σ . Hence we have $\{P^\sigma\} = (V_\sigma)_0$, for every k , $(V_\sigma)_k \subseteq (V_\sigma)_{k+1}$ and $\widehat{V}_\sigma = \varinjlim_k (V_\sigma)_k$.

Let L be an ample line bundle on X . We define the following K' -vector spaces and K' -linear maps, for all integers D, k :

$$E_D = \Gamma(X_{K'}, L^{\otimes D}),$$

$$\begin{aligned}\eta_{D,\widehat{V}_\sigma} : E_D &\rightarrow \Gamma(\widehat{V}_\sigma, L^D) \\ s &\mapsto s|_{\widehat{V}_\sigma},\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\eta_{D,\widehat{V}_\sigma}^k : E_D &\rightarrow \Gamma((V_\sigma)_k, L^D) \\ s &\mapsto s|_{(V_\sigma)_k}.\end{aligned}\tag{4.2}$$

The vector spaces

$$E_{D,\widehat{V}_\sigma}^k = \ker \eta_{D,\widehat{V}_\sigma}^{k-1} = \{s \in \Gamma(X_{K'}, L^{\otimes D}) \mid s|_{(V_\sigma)_{k-1}} = 0\},\tag{4.3}$$

for $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$, define a descending filtration of the vector space E_D .

The map $\eta_{D,\widehat{V}_\sigma}^k$ restricted to $E_{D,\widehat{V}_\sigma}^k$ induces a K' -linear map

$$\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_\sigma}^k : E_{D,\widehat{V}_\sigma}^k \longrightarrow \mathrm{Sym}^k(\Omega_{\widehat{V}_\sigma}^1) \otimes L_{P\sigma}^D.\tag{4.4}$$

Lemma 4.5. *Let k, D be non-negative integers. For every place v of K' , for every embedding σ_1, σ_2 de $K(P)$ in K' , we have*

$$h_v(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_2}}^k) = h_{\sigma_1\sigma_2^{-1}v}(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k).$$

Proof. Set $\gamma = \sigma_2\sigma_1^{-1} \in \mathrm{Gal}(K'/K(P))$. The formal subscheme $\widehat{V}_{\sigma_2} = \widehat{V}_{\gamma\sigma_1}$ is defined by the ideal $I_{\widehat{V}_{\gamma\sigma_1}} = \gamma(I_{\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}})$. Then

$$\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_2}}^k = \gamma \circ \varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k \circ \gamma^{-1}.\tag{4.5}$$

Let $s \in E_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_2}}^k$, let \mathfrak{p} be a maximal ideal of $\mathfrak{o}_{K'}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_2}}^k(s)\|_{\mathfrak{p}} &= \|\gamma \circ \varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k \circ \gamma^{-1}(s)\|_{\mathfrak{p}} \\ &= \|\gamma \circ \varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k(\gamma^{-1}(s))\|_{\gamma(\gamma^{-1}\mathfrak{p})} \\ &= \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k(\gamma^{-1}(s))\|_{\gamma^{-1}\mathfrak{p}} \\ &\leq \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k\|_{\gamma^{-1}\mathfrak{p}} \|s\|_{\mathfrak{p}}.\end{aligned}$$

We proved the following inequality

$$\|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_2}}^k\|_{\mathfrak{p}} \leq \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k\|_{\gamma^{-1}\mathfrak{p}}.$$

Applying this inequality to σ_2 and $\sigma_1 = \gamma^{-1}\sigma_2$ instead of σ_1 and σ_2 at the place $\gamma^{-1}v$ instead of the place v , we get the inequality

$$\|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k\|_{\gamma^{-1}v} \leq \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_2}}^k\|_{\gamma(\gamma^{-1}v)} \leq \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_2}}^k\|_v.$$

If v is an Archimedean place of K' , then

$$\begin{aligned}\|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_2}}^k(s)\|_v &= \|\gamma \circ \varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k \circ \gamma^{-1}(s)\|_v = \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k(\gamma^{-1}(s))\|_{v \circ \gamma} \\ &\leq \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k\|_{v \circ \gamma} \|\gamma^{-1}(s)\|_{v \circ \gamma} \leq \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k\|_{v \circ \gamma} \|s\|_v.\end{aligned}$$

Hence, $\|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_2}}^k\|_v \leq \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k\|_{v \circ \gamma}$, and also $\|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_1}}^k\|_{v \circ \gamma} \leq \|\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\sigma_2}}^k\|_v$. \square

We define the α -arithmeticity of \widehat{V} as we did for the α -analyticity.

Definition 4.6. *Let X be a projective variety defined over a number field K and let P be a closed point of X . Let \widehat{V} be a smooth formal subscheme of the formal completion \widehat{X}_P . Let K' be a Galois extension of K containing the residue field $K(P)$ of P . Let α be a non-negative real number. The formal subscheme \widehat{V} is said to be α -arithmetic if for every embedding $\sigma : K(P) \hookrightarrow K'$, \widehat{V}_σ is α -arithmetic.*

Remark. The existence of one Galois extension of K containing $K(P)$ and one embedding σ of $K(P)$ in this extension such that \widehat{V}_σ is α -arithmetic is a sufficient condition for \widehat{V} to be α -arithmetic. Indeed, it follows from Lemma 2.6 that this definition does not depend on the choice of a Galois extension K' of K containing $K(P)$.

Moreover, let α be a non-negative real number. It follows from Lemma 4.5 that if one of the formal subschemes \widehat{V}_σ is α -arithmetic, then they all are. Indeed, let σ be an embedding of $K(P)$ in K' . Assume that \widehat{V}_σ is α -arithmetic and let $\bar{\alpha}$ be a real number bigger than α . By definition, for every finite subset S of places of K' , there exists a positive real number C_S such that

$$\frac{1}{[K' : \mathbf{Q}]} \sum_{v \in \Sigma_{K'} \setminus S} \log \|\varphi_{D,\sigma}^k\|_v \leq \bar{\alpha} k \log k + C_S(k + D).$$

Let $\gamma \in \text{Gal}(K'/K(P))$, and S be a finite subset of places of K' and let k, D be two non-negative integers. Then, thanks to Lemma 4.5,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{[K' : \mathbf{Q}]} \sum_{v \in \Sigma_{K'} \setminus S} h_v(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_{\gamma\sigma}}^k) &= \frac{1}{[K' : \mathbf{Q}]} \sum_{v \in \Sigma_{K'} \setminus S} h_{\gamma^{-1}v}(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_\sigma}^k) \\ &= \frac{1}{[K' : \mathbf{Q}]} \sum_{v \in \Sigma_{K'} \setminus \gamma^{-1}S} h_v(\varphi_{D,\widehat{V}_\sigma}^k) \\ &\leq \bar{\alpha} k \log k + C_{\gamma^{-1}S}(k + D),\end{aligned}$$

because \widehat{V}_σ is α -arithmetic. Hence, $\widehat{V}_{\gamma\sigma}$ is also α -arithmetic.

Proposition 4.7. *Let X be a projective variety defined over a number field K and let P be a closed point of X . Let \widehat{V} be a smooth formal subscheme of \widehat{X}_P . Let α be a non-negative real number. If the formal subscheme \widehat{V} is α -analytic, then it is α -arithmetic.*

Proof. If \widehat{V} is α -arithmetic, there exists a Galois extension K' of K containing $K(P)$ such that, for every $\sigma : K(P) \hookrightarrow K'$, \widehat{V}_σ is α -analytic. From Proposition 2.8, the \widehat{V}_σ are also α -arithmetic, and \widehat{V} is by definition α -arithmetic. \square

5 Uniformization and order of growth

Before we give the statement of the main Theorem 6.1, we define a notion of *uniformization* of formal subschemes defined at closed points of X by a holomorphic function on an affine curve M_0 over \mathbf{C} or \mathbf{C}_p . This notion extends that of parametrization by meromorphic functions on the affine line over \mathbf{C} . If M is the projective compactification of M_0 , we also define the *order of growth* of such a holomorphic function on M_0 at every point of $M \setminus M_0$. This notion generalizes the notion of exponential order of growth of a holomorphic function on \mathbf{C} .

5.1 Order of growth

Let \mathfrak{F} be a complete, algebraically closed valued field. The cases we will be interested in are $\mathfrak{F} = \mathbf{C}$ and $\mathfrak{F} = \mathbf{C}_p$. Let X be a projective variety over \mathfrak{F} , M an algebraic curve over \mathfrak{F} , and P a point of M . Let \overline{L} be a metrized line bundle on X ; assume L to be ample.

Let T be a finite subset of M . The affine curve $M \setminus T$ is a Stein space (see [Grauert and Remmert, 2004; Kiehl, 1967]) and therefore there always exists a global section $\Gamma(M \setminus T, \Theta^*(L^{-1}))$ which is not the zero section.

Definition 5.1. *Let T be a non-empty finite subset of $M(\mathfrak{F})$. Let $\rho = (\rho_\tau)_{\tau \in T}$ be a family of non-negative real numbers. A holomorphic map $\Theta : M \setminus T \rightarrow X(\mathfrak{F})$ is of order at most ρ with respect to T if there exists a non-zero global section $\eta \in \Gamma(M \setminus T, \Theta^*(L^{-1}))$ such that, for every $\tau \in T$, if u_τ is a local parameter of M at τ , there exist positive real numbers A_1, A_2 such that*

$$\|\eta(z)\| \leq A_1 \exp(A_2 |u_\tau(z)|^{-\rho_\tau}) \quad \text{for all } z \text{ sufficiently close to } \tau. \quad (5.1)$$

When $\mathfrak{F} = \mathbf{C}$, the map is holomorphic in the sense of complex analytic geometry. When $\mathfrak{F} = \mathbf{C}_p$, it is holomorphic in the sense of rigid analytic geometry (see [Bosch et al., 1984] and [Fresnel and van der Put, 1981]).

Remark. This definition does not depend on the choice of a local parameter at a point of T .

Lemma 5.2. *We use the same notation as in Definition 5.1. Let \overline{L}_1 and \overline{L}_2 be two ample metrized line bundles on X and let η be a global section of $\Theta^* \overline{L}_1^{-1}$ satisfying Inequality (5.1) of the previous definition. Then there exists a non-zero section $\eta' \in \Gamma(M \setminus T, \Theta^*(\overline{L}_2^{-1}))$ also satisfying (5.1).*

Proof. Let N be a positive integer such that $L_1^N \otimes L_2^{-1}$ admits a non-zero global section f (such an integer does exist because L_1 is ample). Then the section $\eta' = \eta^N \Theta^* f \in \Gamma(M \setminus T, \Theta^* \overline{L}_2^{-1})$ is suitable. \square

Lemma 5.3. *Let $\Theta : M \setminus T \rightarrow X(\mathfrak{F})$ be holomorphic of order at most ρ_τ at $\tau \in T$ and let $P_1, \dots, P_m \in M \setminus T$. We may choose a section η satisfying (5.1) which does not vanish at the points P_1, \dots, P_m .*

Proof. We are going to construct a function f , meromorphic on M , holomorphic on $M \setminus (T \cup \{P_1, \dots, P_m\})$, having poles of order exactly n_i at P_i and poles of controlled order at the points of T . Then the section $\tilde{\eta} = f\eta$ does not vanish at P_1, \dots, P_m and is holomorphic at $M \setminus T$; it will only remain to observe that it still satisfies Inequality (5.1).

If Δ is a divisor on M , denote by $h^0(\Delta)$ the dimension over \mathfrak{F} of the vector space of sections $H^0(M, \mathcal{O}_M(\Delta))$. Denote by K_M a canonical divisor on M .

Let $\eta \in \Gamma(M \setminus T, \Theta^* L^{-1})$ satisfying (5.1). Let n_i be the order of vanishing of η at P_i . Let $n \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and define Δ the divisor $\Delta = \sum_{\tau \in T} n[\tau] + \sum n_i[P_i]$. The Riemann-Roch theorem says that

$$h^0(\Delta) - h^0(K_M - \Delta) = \deg \Delta + 1 - g,$$

and

$$h^0(\Delta - [P_i]) - h^0(K_M - \Delta + [P_i]) = \deg \Delta - g,$$

where g is the genus of M . If $\deg \Delta \geq 2g$,

$$h^0(K_M - \Delta) = h^0(K_M - \Delta + [P_i]) = 0,$$

and therefore $H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(\Delta - [P_i]))$ is a hyperplane of $H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(\Delta))$. As the field \mathfrak{F} is infinite, there exists a function $f \in H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(\Delta))$ which does not belong to any of those hyperplanes

$$H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(\Delta - [P_1])), \dots, H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(\Delta - [P_m])).$$

The function f is meromorphic on M , holomorphic on $M \setminus (T \cup \{P_1, \dots, P_m\})$ and has poles of order exactly n_i at P_i of order at most n at every $\tau \in T$.

The section $\tilde{\eta} = f\eta$ does not vanish at P_1, \dots, P_m and is holomorphic on $M \setminus T$. Let $\tau \in T$ and let u_τ be a local parameter of M at τ . Since f has a pole of order at most n at τ , there exist $A_3 > 0$ and a neighborhood U of τ in M such that for every $z \in U$, $f(z) \leq A_3 |u_\tau(z)|^{-n}$. Hence for every z sufficiently close to τ ,

$$\|\tilde{\eta}(z)\| \leq A_1 A_3 \exp(A_2 |u_\tau(z)|^{-\rho_\tau}) |u_\tau(z)|^{-n}.$$

Let $A'_2 > A_2$. Then, when x goes to ∞ (x real), $\exp(A_2 x^{\rho_\tau}) x^n = o(\exp(A'_2 x^{\rho_\tau}))$ so there exists $A_4 > 0$ such that

$$\|\tilde{\eta}(z)\| \leq A_4 \exp(A'_2 |u_\tau(z)|^{-\rho_\tau}).$$

The section $\tilde{\eta}$ satisfies, like η , an inequality which is similar to (5.1) and does not vanish at P_1, \dots, P_m . \square

5.2 Uniformization of finite order

Let X be a projective variety over \mathbf{Q} and let x_1, \dots, x_m be closed points of X . For every $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, denote by $K_j = \mathbf{Q}(x_j)$ the residue field of x_j , by d_j its degree over \mathbf{Q} and let \widehat{V}_j be a smooth K_j -subscheme of dimension 1 of the formal completion \widehat{X}_{x_j} of X at x_j . Let L be an ample line bundle on X . Let p_0 be a given place of \mathbf{Q} , finite or Archimedean.

Definition 5.4. *The family of formal subschemes $(\widehat{V}_1, \dots, \widehat{V}_m)$ admits a uniformization at the place p_0 if there exist an affine, smooth, connected curve M_0 over \mathbf{C}_{p_0} , a holomorphic map*

$$\Theta : M_0 \rightarrow X(\mathbf{C}_{p_0})$$

and distinct points w_1, \dots, w_m of M_0 such that $\Theta(w_j) = \xi_j$, where $\xi_j \in X(\mathbf{C}_{p_0})$ is a geometric point lying above the closed point x_j , and the germ of formal curve parameterized by Θ at ξ_j coincides with \widehat{V}_j .

Definition 5.5. *We denote by M the smooth projective compactification of M_0 and by T the (finite) complement of M_0 in M , so that $M_0 = M \setminus T$. Let ρ be a non-negative real number. We say that such a uniformization is of order at most ρ if there exists a family $(\rho_\tau)_{\tau \in T}$ of non-negative real numbers satisfying $\sum_{\tau} \rho_\tau \leq \rho$ such that the holomorphic map $\Theta : M \setminus T \rightarrow X(\mathbf{C}_{p_0})$ is of order at most $(\rho_\tau)_\tau$ with respect to T .*

Assume that the formal subscheme $\widehat{V} = \bigcup_{j=1}^m \widehat{V}_j$ admits a uniformization at this place p_0 . For all $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, the geometric point ξ_j defines a morphism from \mathcal{O}_{X, x_j} to \mathbf{C}_{p_0} whose kernel is the maximal ideal \mathfrak{m}_{x_j} , and hence which can be factorized to give an embedding σ_j of $\mathcal{O}_{X, x_j}/\mathfrak{m}_{x_j} = K_j$ in \mathbf{C}_{p_0} .

6 Proof of the main Theorem

6.1 Statement

The Zariski closure of $\widehat{V} = \bigcup_{j=1}^m \widehat{V}_j$ in X is by definition the smallest Zariski-closed subset Y of X (defined over \mathbf{Q}) such that, for every $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, $\widehat{V}_j \subseteq \widehat{Y}_{x_j}$. The formal subscheme \widehat{V} is said to be *algebraic* if its dimension (here, 1) is equal to the dimension of its closure.

We can now state the following geometrical version of the Schneider-Lang theorem on an affine curve.

Theorem 6.1. *Let X be a projective variety defined over \mathbf{Q} and let x_1, \dots, x_m be closed points of X . For all $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, denote by $K_j = \mathbf{Q}(x_j)$ the residue field of x_j and by d_j its degree over \mathbf{Q} . Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m$ be non-negative real numbers. For every $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, let \widehat{V}_j be a smooth α_j -arithmetic K_j -subscheme of dimension 1 of the formal completion \widehat{X}_{x_j} of X at x_j . Assume that the family of formal subschemes $(\widehat{V}_1, \dots, \widehat{V}_m)$ admits a uniformization of*

order at most $\rho \geq 0$ at some finite or Archimedean place p_0 of \mathbf{Q} . Let r be the dimension of the Zariski closure of $\widehat{V} = \bigcup_{j=1}^m \widehat{V}_j$ in X .

Then,

- either $r > 1$ and

$$\sum_{j=1}^m \frac{1}{\alpha_j d_j} \leq \frac{r}{r-1} \rho,$$

- or $r = 1$, that is to say the \widehat{V}_j 's are all algebraic.

Remark. Under the hypothesis of uniformization of the theorem, if one of the formal subschemes \widehat{V}_j , $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, is algebraic, then they all are. Indeed, if there exists some j such that \widehat{V}_j is not Zariski-dense in X , there exists a non-zero rational function P on X , identically equal to zero on \widehat{V}_j . The holomorphic function Θ^*P on $M \setminus T$ vanishes with an infinite order of vanishing at any point w_j such that $\Theta(w_j) = x_j$. As $M \setminus T$ is connected, Θ^*P is identically 0. Thus the restriction of P to the \widehat{V}_i , $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ is zero, and none of the formal subschemes \widehat{V}_i is Zariski-dense in X .

Replacing X by the Zariski closure of $\widehat{V} = \bigcup_{i=1}^m \widehat{V}_i$, one can assume that the formal subschemes \widehat{V}_i are all dense in X and that r which is the dimension of the Zariski closure of \widehat{V} in X is equal to n , the dimension of X . That is what we do from now on.

6.2 Choice of the filtration and evaluation morphisms

Let L be an ample line bundle on X . We construct a filtration of the space E_D of the sections of L^D by the order of vanishing along the formal subschemes \widehat{V}_i . At a step of the filtration, we do not impose the same order of vanishing along the m formal subschemes.

Let K be a finite Galois extension of \mathbf{Q} , included in \mathbf{C}_{p_0} and containing the fields $\sigma_1(K_1), \dots, \sigma_m(K_m)$, where for every $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, σ_j is the embedding of K_j in \mathbf{C}_{p_0} given by the uniformization. We define the following \mathbf{Q} -vector spaces and K -vector spaces:

$$E_{\mathbf{Q},D} = \Gamma(X, L^D),$$

and

$$E_{K,D} = E_{\mathbf{Q},D} \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}} K.$$

Let $\eta_{\mathbf{Q},D}$ be the restriction morphism from $E_{\mathbf{Q},D} = \Gamma(X, L^D)$ to $\bigoplus_{j=1}^m \Gamma(\widehat{V}_j, L^D)$. We will look at the extension of scalars from \mathbf{Q} to K of this \mathbf{Q} -linear map. In order to describe it, we use the following lemma which describes the scalars extension from \mathbf{Q} to K of the K_j -vector space $\Gamma(\widehat{V}_j, L^D)$, for every $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$.

Lemma 6.2. *For every $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, let I_j be the definition ideal in $\mathcal{O}_{\widehat{X}_{x_j}} \simeq K_j[[U]]$ of \widehat{V}_j . Then*

$$\Gamma(\widehat{V}_j, L^D) \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}} K = \bigoplus_{\sigma: K_j \hookrightarrow K} \Gamma(\widehat{V}_{\sigma(\xi_j)}, L^D),$$

where $\widehat{V}_{\sigma(\xi_j)}$ denote the K -formal subcheme of $\mathrm{Spf} K[[U]]$ defined by the ideal $K\sigma(I_j)$.

Hence the scalars extension of $\eta_{\mathbf{Q}, D}$ to K is the K -linear map:

$$\eta_{K, D} : E_{K, D} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{j=1}^m \bigoplus_{\sigma: K_j \hookrightarrow K} \Gamma(\widehat{V}_{\sigma(\xi_j)}, L^D). \quad (6.1)$$

Lemma 6.3. *The following propositions are equivalent:*

1. *For all D , the map $\eta_{K, D}$ is injective.*
2. *For all sufficiently big D , the map $\eta_{K, D}$ is injective.*
3. *The formal subschemes \widehat{V} are dense in X .*

Proof. If \widehat{V} is not dense, then \widehat{V} is included in a hypersurface H of X . For D big enough, the ample line bundle L^D has a non-trivial global section which identically vanishes on H and therefore $\eta_{K, D}$ is not injective, and Condition 2 implies Condition 3. We now show that 3. implies 1. Assume \widehat{V} is dense in X and let s be a section of L^D on X which identically vanishes on \widehat{V} . Then \widehat{V} is included in the divisor of s , which is equal to the whole variety X since the formal subscheme \widehat{V} is dense in X . Therefore, s is zero on X and $\eta_{K, D}$ is injective. \square

Let $(a_k)_{k \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}}$ be a sequence of integers between 1 et m et set $a_0 = 0$. For every k , the number a_k will indicate that we ask the sections in the $(k+1)$ -step E_D^k of the filtration to vanish with a bigger order along \widehat{V}_{a_k} than at the previous step E_D^{k-1} , and ask no extra vanishing condition along the others formal subschemes.

For every $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ and $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$, let

$$\omega_i(k) = \mathrm{Card}\{0 \leq j < k \mid a_j = i\} = \sum_{0 \leq j < k} \delta_{a_j, i},$$

where $\delta_{u, v}$ denotes the Kronecker symbol.

We set

$$n_k = \omega_{a_k}(k). \quad (6.2)$$

Recall that, for every $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, $d_j = [K_j : \mathbf{Q}]$ and denote by $\sigma_j^1, \dots, \sigma_j^{d_j}$ the d_j embeddings of K_j in K .

We define a descending filtration on $E_{\mathbf{Q},D}$ and then on $E_{K,D}$. First, for all positive integer D we define the following \mathbf{Q} -vector spaces:

$$E_{\mathbf{Q},D}^0 = E_{\mathbf{Q},D},$$

and for all positive integer k ,

$$E_{\mathbf{Q},D}^k = \{s \in E_{\mathbf{Q},D} \mid s|_{(V_j)_{\omega_j(k)-1}} = 0 \text{ pour tout } j \in \{1, \dots, m\}\}.$$

And then we define the K -vector spaces

$$\begin{aligned} E_{K,D}^k &= E_{\mathbf{Q},D}^k \otimes_{\mathbf{Q}} K \\ &= \bigcap_{j=1}^m \bigcap_{\sigma: K_j \hookrightarrow K} \{s \in E_D \mid s|_{(V_{\sigma(\xi_j)})_{\omega_j(k)-1}} = 0\} \\ &= \bigcap_{j=1}^m \bigcap_{l=1}^{d_j} \ker \left(\eta_{D, \widehat{V}_{\sigma_{a_j}^l(\xi_j)} }^{\omega_j(k)} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (6.3)$$

where $\eta_{D, \widehat{V}_{\sigma_{a_j}^l(\xi_j)} }^{\omega_j(k)}$ is the map defined by (4.2).

To simplify the notation, we will not write the subscript K anymore for these K -vector spaces. Hence, we set $E_D = E_{K,D}$ and, for every non-negative integer k , $E_D^k = E_{K,D}^k$. We defined a descending filtration of E_D , which is separated if η_D is injective.

The kernel of the restriction map

$$\bigoplus_{j=1}^m \Gamma((V_{\sigma(\xi_j)})_k, L^D) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{j=1}^m \Gamma((V_{\sigma(\xi_j)})_{k-1}, L^D)$$

is isomorphic to $\bigoplus_{j=1}^m \text{Sym}^k \left(\Omega_{\widehat{V}_{\sigma(\xi_j)}}^1 \right) \otimes L_{\sigma(\xi_j)}^D$. The map η_D^k restricted to E_D^k induces therefore a linear map

$$\varphi_D^k : E_D^k \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{j=1}^m \bigoplus_{\sigma: K_j \hookrightarrow K} \text{Sym}^k \left(\Omega_{\widehat{V}_{\sigma(\xi_j)}}^1 \right) \otimes L_{\sigma(\xi_j)}^D, \quad (6.4)$$

which maps a section of L^D vanishing at order $\omega_j(k)$ along the formal subscheme \widehat{V}_j for all $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ on the $(k+1)$ -th ‘‘Taylor coefficients’’ of its restrictions to $\widehat{V}_{\sigma(\xi_1)}, \dots, \widehat{V}_{\sigma(\xi_m)}$. By definition, the kernel of φ_D^k is equal to E_D^{k+1} .

We also define a refinement of the previous filtration on E_D obtained by taking the tensor product of the filtration of $E_{\mathbf{Q},D}$. On every E_D^k , we define a new descending filtration:

$$E_D^k = E_D^{k,0} \supseteq \dots \supseteq E_D^{k,d_{a_k}-1} \supseteq E_D^{k,d_{a_k}} = E_D^{k+1},$$

where for all $l \in \{1, \dots, d_{a_k} - 1\}$, $E_D^{k,l}$ is defined by

$$E_D^{k,l} = \left\{ s \in E_D^{k,l-1} \mid s \Big| \left(V_{\sigma_{a_k}^l(\xi_{a_k})} \right)_{n_k} = 0 \right\}.$$

For every non-negative integer k and every $l \in \{1, \dots, d_{a_k}\}$, let

$$\xi_{a_k}^l = \sigma_{a_k}^l(\xi_{a_k}). \quad (6.5)$$

We define the K -linear evaluation morphism

$$\varphi_D^{k,l} : E_D^{k,l-1} \rightarrow \mathrm{Sym}^{n_k} \Omega_{\widehat{V}_{\xi_{a_k}^l}}^1 \otimes L_{|\xi_{a_k}^l}^D.$$

The range $\mathrm{Sym}^{n_k} \Omega_{\widehat{V}_{\xi_{a_k}^l}}^1 \otimes L_{|\xi_{a_k}^l}^D$ is a K -vector space of dimension 1. The kernel of $\varphi_D^{k,l}$ is $E_D^{k,l}$; let again $\varphi_D^{k,l}$ denote the injective K -linear map obtained by taking the quotient:

$$\varphi_D^{k,l} : E_D^{k,l-1} / E_D^{k,l} \hookrightarrow \mathrm{Sym}^{n_k} \Omega_{\widehat{V}_{\xi_{a_k}^l}}^1 \otimes L_{|\xi_{a_k}^l}^D. \quad (6.6)$$

As its range is of dimension 1, the map $\varphi_D^{k,l}$ is an isomorphism as soon as $E_D^{k,l}$ is strictly included in $E_D^{k,l-1}$. The image $\varphi_D^{k,l}(s)$ of a section s in E_D^k by this evaluation morphism equals to $\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}_{\sigma_{a_k}^l(\xi_{a_k})}}^{n_k}(s)$ with the notation (4.4) we used

for the evaluation morphisms along one of the conjugates of a formal subscheme at a closed point.

6.3 Slopes inequality

For $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and $l \in \{1, \dots, d_{a_k}\}$, the K -vector spaces $E_D^{k,l}$ et $\mathrm{Sym}^k \Omega_{\widehat{V}_{\sigma_i^l(\xi_i)}}^1$ can be equipped with integral structures thanks to the choice of a projective model of X over $\mathrm{Spec} \mathfrak{o}_K$. As explained in Paragraph 2.2, they are equipped with Hermitian structures $(\overline{\mathcal{E}_D}, \overline{\Omega_{\widehat{V}_i}^k})$, the norm on $E_D^{k,l} \otimes \mathbf{C}$ being the John norm associated with the infinity norm (see page 9). We denote by $h_J(\varphi_D^k)$ the height of the evaluation morphisms relative to these Hermitian norms.

Then we have the following *slopes inequality* due to J.-B. Bost (see for instance [Bost, 1996; Chambert-Loir, 2002; Bost, 2001; Chen, 2006; Bost, 2006]), which reflects the fact that the map

$$\eta_{K,D} : E_{K,D} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{j=1}^m \bigoplus_{\sigma: K_j \hookrightarrow K} \Gamma(\widehat{V}_{\sigma(\xi_j)}, L^D)$$

defined by (6.1) is injective:

$$\widehat{\deg}(\overline{\mathcal{E}}_D) \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{d_{a_k}} \text{rk}(E_D^{k,l-1}/E_D^{k,l}) \left[\widehat{\mu}_{\max} \left(\text{Sym}^{n_k} \overline{\Omega_{\widehat{V}_{\xi_{a_k}^l}}^1} \otimes \overline{\mathcal{Z}_{|\xi_{a_k}^l}^D} \right) + h_J(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \right], \quad (6.7)$$

where $n_k = \omega_{a_k}(k)$, as defined by (6.2). From Inequality (2.6), this inequality, which involves the height $h_J(\varphi_{K,D}^k)$, also holds for $h(\varphi_D^k)$ even if this height does not come from Hermitian norms at the Archimedean places,

$$\widehat{\deg}(\overline{\mathcal{E}}_D) \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{d_{a_k}} \text{rk}(E_D^{k,l-1}/E_D^{k,l}) \left[\widehat{\mu}_{\max} \left(\text{Sym}^{n_k} \overline{\Omega_{\widehat{V}_{\xi_{a_k}^l}}^1} \otimes \overline{\mathcal{Z}_{|\xi_{a_k}^l}^D} \right) + h(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \right]. \quad (6.8)$$

We give an upper bound for the maximal slope arising in this inequality, so as a lower bound for the arithmetic degree.

Lemma 6.4. *With the previous notation, there exists a real number $C_1 > 0$ such that*

$$\widehat{\mu}_{\max} \left(\text{Sym}^{n_k} \overline{\Omega_{\widehat{V}_{\xi_{a_k}^l}}^1} \otimes \overline{\mathcal{Z}_{|\xi_{a_k}^l}^D} \right) \leq C_1(n_k + D) \leq C_1(k + D).$$

Proof. See [Bost, 2001], Lemmas 4.2 and 4.3. \square

The lower bound for the arithmetic degree of $\overline{\mathcal{E}}_D$ we will use is a weak form of the *arithmetic Hilbert-Samuel theorem* (see Proposition 4.4 and Lemma 4.1 of [Bost, 2001] for the proof): there exists a real number $C > 0$ such that

$$\widehat{\deg}(\overline{\mathcal{E}}_D) \geq -CD^{n+1}. \quad (6.9)$$

Hence the slopes inequality (6.8) yields

$$-CD^{n+1} \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{d_{a_k}} \text{rk}(E_D^{k,l-1}/E_D^{k,l}) (C_1(k + D) + h(\varphi_D^k)). \quad (6.10)$$

6.4 Choice of the derivation speeds defining the filtration

Lemma 6.5. *Let $(\beta_j)_{1 \leq j \leq m}$ be a family of positive rational numbers such that $\sum_{j=1}^m \beta_j = 1$.*

Then there exists a map $\omega : \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}^m$, $k \mapsto \omega(k) = (\omega_1(k), \dots, \omega_m(k))$, such that

1. $\omega(0) = (0, \dots, 0)$;
2. for every $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$, for every $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, $\omega_i(k) - \omega_i(k-1) \in \{0, 1\}$;
3. for every $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$, there exists a unique $a_k \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ such that

$$\omega_{a_k}(k) = \omega_{a_k}(k-1) + 1;$$

4. for every $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, $\omega_i(k) \underset{k \rightarrow \infty}{=} \beta_i k + O(1)$.

Proof. Let δ be a common denominator for the β_j , that is to say a positive integer such that, for every $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, $\delta\beta_j$ is an integer. For every $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, we set

$$s_j = \delta\beta_j \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}.$$

Then

$$\sum_{j=1}^m s_j = \delta.$$

We define the δ -periodic sequence $(a_k)_{k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}}$ whose first δ terms are:

$$\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{s_1 \text{ times}}, \underbrace{2, \dots, 2}_{s_2 \text{ times}}, \dots, \underbrace{m, \dots, m}_{s_m \text{ times}}.$$

Conditions 1, 2 and 3 then define a unique sequence ω which is given by:

$$\omega \left(j\delta + \sum_{\ell=1}^{c-1} s_\ell + l \right) = \left((j+1)s_1, \dots, (j+1)s_{c-1}, js_c + l, js_{c+1}, \dots, js_m \right), \quad (6.11)$$

for $j \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$, $c \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ and $l \in \{1, \dots, s_c\}$ (if $c = 1$, we consider the sum as empty).

Let $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$ and let $j = \left\lfloor \frac{k}{\delta} \right\rfloor$. Then $k - \delta < j\delta \leq k$, and for every $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ we have:

$$\omega_i(k) \leq (j+1)s_i \leq \left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{\delta} \right\rfloor + 1 \right) \beta_i \delta \leq \beta_i k + \beta_i \delta.$$

Moreover,

$$\omega_i(k) \geq js_i \geq \left\lfloor \frac{k}{\delta} \right\rfloor \beta_i \delta \geq \beta_i k - \beta_i \delta.$$

Hence, the sequence $(\omega(k))_k$ satisfies Condition 4: for every $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$,

$$\omega_i(k) \underset{k \rightarrow \infty}{=} \beta_i k + O(1). \quad \square$$

From now on, we make the following hypothesis on the derivation speeds. Let β_1, \dots, β_m be positive rational numbers whose sum equals 1. We assume that the sequence $\omega(k)$ which describes the derivation speeds is as in Lemma 6.5,

namely for every $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, the order of vanishing $\omega_i(k)$ along \widehat{V}_i we impose to the elements of E_D^k satisfies

$$\omega_i(k) \underset{k \rightarrow \infty}{=} \beta_i k + O(1). \quad (6.12)$$

Then, for every $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ the sequence $(k - \frac{\omega_i(k)}{\beta_i})_{k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}}$ is bounded. Let b be a non-negative integer which is an upper bound of these sequences. Then we can write, for every $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ and every $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$,

$$\omega_i(k) = \beta_i(k - b) + r_i(k), \quad (6.13)$$

where $(r_i(k))_{k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}}$ is a bounded sequence of non-negative integers.

6.5 Estimation of the height of the evaluation morphisms

Proposition 6.6. *Let λ be a positive real number such that*

$$\lambda \rho < 1. \quad (6.14)$$

Then there exists a real number $C > 0$ such that, for every non-negative integers k, D , every $l \in \{1, \dots, d_{a_k}\}$, and every $\overline{\alpha_{a_k}} > \alpha_{a_k}$,

$$h(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \leq C(k + D) - [K : \mathbf{Q}] (\lambda - \overline{\alpha_{a_k}} d_{a_k} \beta_{a_k}) k \log k + [K : \mathbf{Q}] \lambda k \log D.$$

In order to prove this proposition which gives a control of the height of the evaluation morphisms $\varphi_D^{k,l}$, we prove two lemmas. Lemma 6.7 gives an upper bound for the sum of heights of the evaluation morphism at all but finitely many places, using the hypothesis of α -arithmeticity of the formal subschemes. And Lemma 6.8 provides a better upper bound at some places of K , thanks to the uniformization of \widehat{V} .

Lemma 6.7. *For every finite set S of embeddings of K in \mathbf{C}_{p_0} , for all integers $k \geq 0, D \geq 1$, for every $l \in \{1, \dots, d_{a_k}\}$, for every $\overline{\alpha_{a_k}} > \alpha_{a_k}$, there exists a non-negative real number C such that*

$$\sum_{p \leq \infty} \sum_{\substack{\sigma: K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}_p, \\ \sigma \notin S}} h_\sigma(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \leq \overline{\alpha_{a_k}} [K : \mathbf{Q}] n_k \log n_k + C(k + D).$$

Proof. For every place v of K , the height at v of the evaluation morphism $\varphi_D^{k,l}$ defined (see (6.6)) by

$$\varphi_D^{k,l} : E_D^{k,l-1} / E_D^{k,l} \hookrightarrow \text{Sym}^{n_k} \Omega_{\widehat{V}_{\xi_{a_k}^l}^1 \otimes_{L_{\xi_{a_k}^l}^D}}^1,$$

satisfies

$$h_v(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \leq h_v \left(\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}_{\sigma_{a_k}^l}^l(\xi_{a_k})}^{n_k} \right),$$

since it is the restriction of the morphism $\varphi_{D, \widehat{V}_{\sigma_{a_k}^l}(\xi_{a_k})}^{n_k}$ (4.4) to a smaller domain.

Let $\overline{\alpha_{a_k}} > \alpha_{a_k}$. Let $k \geq 0$ and $D > 0$ be two integers. Since \widehat{V}_{a_k} is α -arithmetic, for every embedding σ of K_{a_k} in K the formal subscheme $\widehat{V}_{\sigma(\xi_{a_k})}$ is α_{a_k} -arithmetic (see Definition 4.6), and hence

$$\sum_{p \leq \infty} \sum_{\substack{\sigma: K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}_p, \\ \sigma \notin S}} h_{\sigma}(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \leq \overline{\alpha_{a_k}}[K : \mathbf{Q}] n_k \log n_k + C(k + D). \quad \square$$

By definition, for every embedding σ of K in \mathbf{C}_{p_0} , the height of the map φ_D^k associated with σ is $h_{\sigma}(\varphi_D^{k,l}) = \log \|\varphi_D^{k,l} \otimes_{K, \sigma} \mathbf{C}_{p_0}\|$.

Thanks to the uniformization, for every embedding σ of K in \mathbf{C}_{p_0} such that $\sigma(\xi_{a_k}^l) = \xi_{a_k}$ we get a “good” inequality for $h_{\sigma}(\varphi_D^{k,l})$, as stated in the following lemma.

Lemma 6.8. *Let λ be a positive real number such that $\lambda\rho < 1$.*

There exists a non-negative real number C such that, for every $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$, $D \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$ and every $l \in \{1, \dots, d_{a_k}\}$, for every embedding σ of K in \mathbf{C}_{p_0} such that $\sigma(\xi_{a_k}^l) = \xi_{a_k}$,

$$h_{\sigma}(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \leq C(k + D) - \lambda k \log \frac{k}{D}. \quad (6.15)$$

Since the family of formal subschemes $(\widehat{V}_1, \dots, \widehat{V}_m)$ admits a uniformization of order at most $\rho > 0$ at p_0 , there exists a projective, connected, smooth curve M over \mathbf{C}_{p_0} , a finite subset $T \subseteq M$, a holomorphic map

$$\Theta : M \setminus T \rightarrow X(\mathbf{C}_{p_0}),$$

and distinct points w_1, \dots, w_m of $M \setminus T$ such that $\Theta(w_j) = \xi_j$ and the germ of formal curve parameterized by Θ at ξ_j coincides with \widehat{V}_j (cf. Definition 5.4). Since the uniformization is of order at most ρ , by Definition 5.1 there exist a non-zero section $\eta \in \Gamma(M \setminus T, \Theta^*(L^{-1}))$ and a family $(\rho_{\tau})_{\tau}$ of non-negative real numbers such that, if u_{τ} a local parameter of M at $\tau \in T$, there exist positive real numbers A_1, A_2 such that

$$\|\eta(z)\| \leq A_1 e^{A_2 |u_{\tau}(z)|^{-\rho_{\tau}}} \quad \text{for all } z \text{ sufficiently close to } \tau,$$

and $\sum_{\tau \in T} \rho_{\tau} \leq \rho$. By Lemma 5.1, we can assume that η does not vanish at the points w_1, \dots, w_m .

Lemma 6.9. *Let M be a projective, smooth, connected algebraic curve over an algebraically closed field \mathfrak{F} and let $T, W \subseteq M(\mathfrak{F})$ be finite disjoint subsets. For every $\tau \in T$ let μ_{τ} be a positive real number. Assume that $\sum_{\tau \in T} \mu_{\tau} < 1$. For every $w \in W$, let $\beta_w > 0$ be such that $\sum_{w \in W} \beta_w = 1$. Then for every big enough integer a , there exists a rational function R_a on M , regular on $M \setminus W$ with a pole of order exactly equal to $\lfloor a\beta_w \rfloor$ at $w \in W$ and a zero of order $m_{\tau} \geq \lceil a\mu_{\tau} \rceil$ at every $\tau \in T$.*

Proof. We consider the divisor with real coefficients Δ given by

$$\Delta = \sum_{w \in W} \beta_w [w] - \sum_{\tau \in T} \mu_\tau [\tau].$$

Its degree $\deg(\Delta) = \sum_{w \in W} \beta_w - \sum_{\tau \in T} \mu_\tau$ is positive, by hypothesis. If D is a divisor on M , denote by $h^0(D)$ the dimension over \mathfrak{F} of the space of sections $H^0(M, \mathcal{O}_M(D))$. If D is a divisor with real coefficients, $D = \sum \lambda_P [P]$, with $\lambda_P \in \mathbf{R}$ for all P , we set $\lfloor D \rfloor$ the divisor with integral coefficients $D = \sum \lfloor \lambda_P \rfloor [P]$. Let K_M be a canonical divisor on M and let g denote genus of M . By the Riemann-Roch theorem, for every positive integer a , we have :

$$h^0(\lfloor a\Delta \rfloor) - h^0(K_M - \lfloor a\Delta \rfloor) = \deg(\lfloor a\Delta \rfloor) + 1 - g,$$

and, for every $w \in W$,

$$h^0(\lfloor a\Delta \rfloor - [w]) - h^0(K_M - \lfloor a\Delta \rfloor + [w]) = \deg(\lfloor a\Delta \rfloor) - g.$$

When a goes to infinity, $\deg(\lfloor a\Delta \rfloor) = a \deg(\Delta) + O(1)$, and then $\deg(\lfloor a\Delta \rfloor) \sim a \deg(\Delta)$ since $\deg(\Delta) > 0$. Pick a big enough, so that $\deg(\lfloor a\Delta \rfloor) \geq 2g$. Then,

$$h^0(K_M - \lfloor a\Delta \rfloor) = h^0(K_M - \lfloor a\Delta \rfloor + [w]) = 0.$$

Therefore, the \mathfrak{F} -vector spaces $H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(\lfloor a\Delta \rfloor - [w]))$, for $w \in W$, are hyperplanes of $H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(\lfloor a\Delta \rfloor))$. Since the field \mathfrak{F} is infinite, there exists

$$R_a \in H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(\lfloor a\Delta \rfloor)) \setminus \bigcup_{w \in W} H^0(M, \mathcal{O}(\lfloor a\Delta \rfloor - [w])),$$

which satisfies the conditions we were looking for. \square

Proof of Lemma 6.8. To simplify the notation, in this proof we will not indicate by a subscript that the absolute values and norms we consider are those at the place p_0 .

Let a be a positive integer, $(\mu_\tau)_{\tau \in T}$ a family of positive real number whose sum is less than 1 and such that, for every $\tau \in T$,

$$\mu_\tau \geq \lambda \rho_\tau. \quad (6.16)$$

This can be done because we assumed $\lambda \rho < 1$. If a is big enough, then by Lemma 6.9, there exist a rational function R_a on M , regular on $M \setminus W$ with a pole of exact order $\lfloor a\beta_{a_k} \rfloor$ at w_1, \dots, w_m and a zero of order $m_\tau \geq \lceil a\mu_\tau \rceil$ at every $\tau \in T$.

Let $D \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and let $s \in E_D$. Let f be the holomorphic function $\Theta^*(s)\eta^D$ on $M \setminus T$. Let $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and $l \in \{1, \dots, d_{a_k}\}$ be such that $s \in E_D^{k,l}$. Then f vanishes with order at least $\omega_i(k)$ at w_i , for every $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$. The image of the section s by the evaluation morphism $\varphi_D^{k,l}$ is

$$\varphi_D^{k,l}(s) = c_k(\Theta_* \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(w_{a_k}))^{\otimes -n_k} \eta(w_{a_k})^{-D} \in \text{Sym}^{n_k}(\Omega_{\hat{V}_{\xi_{a_k}}}^1) \otimes L_{|\xi_{a_k}}^D, \quad (6.17)$$

where

$$c_k = \lim_{z \rightarrow w_{a_k}} \frac{(\Theta^*(s)\eta^D)(z)}{u_{a_k}(z)^{n_k}} = \lim_{z \rightarrow w_{a_k}} \frac{f(z)}{u_{a_k}(z)^{n_k}},$$

u_{a_k} being a local parameter of the curve M at w_{a_k} and $n_k = \omega_{a_k}(k)$, for every non-negative integer k .

Setting $C_0 = \max(|\Theta_* \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(w_{a_k})|^{-1}, |\eta(w_{a_k})|)$, we get

$$|\varphi_D^{k,l}(s)| \leq C_0^{k+D} |c_k|. \quad (6.18)$$

Set

$$\nu_{a_k} = an_k - (k-b)\lfloor a\beta_{a_k} \rfloor. \quad (6.19)$$

This is a non-negative integer. It is indeed clearly the case if $k < b$, and if $k \geq b$ we have:

$$\nu_{a_k} = an_k - (k-b)\lfloor a\beta_{a_k} \rfloor = ar_{a_k}(k) + (k-b)(a\beta_{a_k} - \lfloor a\beta_{a_k} \rfloor) \geq 0.$$

Since

$$c_k = \lim_{z \rightarrow w_{a_k}} \frac{f(z)}{u_{a_k}(z)^{n_k}},$$

we have

$$|c_k|^a = \lim_{z \rightarrow w_{a_k}} \left| f^a R_a^{k-b} u_{a_k}^{-\nu_{a_k}(k)}(z) \right| \lim_{z \rightarrow w_{a_k}} \left| R_a^{-1} u_{a_k}^{-\lfloor a\beta_{a_k} \rfloor}(z) \right|^{k-b}.$$

The function R_a has a pole of order exactly $\lfloor a\beta_j \rfloor$ at w_j . Setting $C_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq m} \lim_{z \rightarrow w_j} |R_a(z)^{-1} u_j(z)^{-\lfloor a\beta_j \rfloor}|^{\frac{1}{a}}$, we thus obtain

$$|c_k| \leq C_1^{k-b} \left(\lim_{z \rightarrow w_{a_k}} \left| f^a R_a^{k-b} u_{a_k}^{-\nu_{a_k}(k)}(z) \right| \right)^{\frac{1}{a}}. \quad (6.20)$$

The function $f^a R_a^{k-b} = (\Theta^*(s)\eta^D)^a R_a^{k-b}$ is holomorphic on $M \setminus T$, by the hypothesis (6.13) made on the orders of vanishing of $\Theta^*(s)$ at the points w_1, \dots, w_m . Let r be a positive real number. We apply to this function a maximum principle on the domain $\{|R_a(z)| \geq r^a\}$. If the place p_0 is the Archimedean one, it is the usual maximum principle of complex analysis. If p_0 is a ultrametric place, it is provided by the following proposition, which is proved in [Bost and Chambert-Loir, 2009] prop B.11.

Proposition 6.10. *Let \mathfrak{F} be a complete ultrametric field, and let M be a smooth, connected projective curve on \mathfrak{F} . Let $f \in k(M)$ be a non-constant rational function, and let X be the Weierstraß domain*

$$X = \{x \in M(k); |f(x)| \leq 1\}.$$

Then, every affinoid function g on X is bounded. Moreover, there exists $x \in X$ such that

$$|g(x)| = \sup_X |g| \quad \text{et} \quad |f(x)| = 1.$$

If r is small enough, then for every $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, $w_i \in \{|R_a(z)| \geq r^a\}$. We get:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{z \rightarrow w_{a_k}} \left| (\Theta^*(s)\eta^D(z))^a R_a(z)^{k-b} \right| &\leq \max_{\{|R_a(z)| \geq r^a\}} \left| (\Theta^*(s)\eta^D(z))^a R_a(z)^{k-b} \right| \\ &\leq \max_{\{|R_a(z)| = r^a\}} \left| (\Theta^*(s)\eta^D(z))^a R_a(z)^{k-b} \right| \\ &\leq r^{a(k-b)} \|s\|_{\sigma, \infty}^a \max_{\{|R_a(z)| = r^a\}} |\eta(z)|^{Da}. \end{aligned} \quad (6.21)$$

The section η is of order at most ρ_τ at τ : by definition (see (5.1)), for any local parameter u_τ at τ , there exist positive real numbers A_1, A_2 such that, for all z close enough to τ ,

$$\|\eta(z)\| \leq A_1 \exp(A_2 |u_\tau(z)|^{-\rho_\tau}).$$

The function R_a has a zero of order m_τ at $\tau \in T$, so there exists a real number $A_3 > 0$ such that for all z close enough to τ , $|R_a(z)| \geq A_3 |u_\tau(z)|^{m_\tau}$. Hence,

$$\|\eta(z)\| \leq A_1 \exp\left(A_2 A_3^{\rho_\tau} |R_a(z)|^{-\frac{\rho_\tau}{m_\tau}}\right).$$

For r small enough, we thus obtain

$$\max_{|R(z)| = r^a} \|\eta(z)\| \leq \max_{\tau \in T} A_1 \exp\left(A_4 r^{-a \frac{\rho_\tau}{m_\tau}}\right),$$

where $A_4 = A_2 \max_{\tau \in T} A_3^{\rho_\tau}$.

Recall that $m_\tau \geq \lceil a\mu_\tau \rceil \geq a\mu_\tau$. Therefore, for $r \leq 1$ and $\tau \in T$, we have

$$r^{-\frac{\rho_\tau}{m_\tau}} \leq r^{-\frac{\rho_\tau}{a\mu_\tau}} \leq r^{-\frac{1}{\lambda_a}}.$$

It follows that there exists $r_0 \in]0, 1[$ such that, for all r less than r_0 ,

$$\max_{|R(z)| = r^a} \|\eta(z)\| \leq A_1 \exp\left(A_4 r^{-\frac{1}{\lambda}}\right).$$

With this bound satisfied by the norm of the section η , Inequality (6.21) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{z \rightarrow w_{a_k}} \left| (\Theta^*(s)\eta^D(z))^a R_a(z)^{k-b} \right| &\leq \max_{|R_a(z)| = r^a} |f^a R_a^{k-b}(z)| \\ &\leq r^{a(k-b)} A_1^{aD} \exp\left(A_4 a D r^{-\frac{1}{\lambda}}\right) \|s\|_{\sigma, \infty}^a. \end{aligned} \quad (6.22)$$

By Inequality (6.20),

$$|c_k|^a \leq C_1^{ak} \left(\max_{\substack{z \in \mathcal{D}_{\text{et}} \\ |u_{a_k}(z)| \leq B_1}} \left| f^a R_a^{k-b} u_{a_k}^{-\nu_a(k)}(z) \right| \right), \quad (6.23)$$

where we denote by \mathcal{D} a neighborhood of w_{a_k} on which the local parameter u_{a_k} is holomorphic, and B_1 is a non-negative real number. Applying the maximum principle to the holomorphic function $f^a R_a^{k-b} u_{a_k}^{-\nu_a(k)}$ on the domain

$$\{|u_{a_k}(z)| \leq B_1\} \cap \mathcal{D},$$

we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\substack{z \in \mathcal{D} \text{ et} \\ |u_{a_k}(z)| \leq B_1}} \left| f^a R_a^{k-b} u_{a_k}^{-\nu_a(k)}(z) \right| &= \max_{\substack{z \in \mathcal{D} \text{ et} \\ |u_{a_k}(z)| = B_1}} \left| f^a R_a^{k-b} u_{a_k}^{-\nu_a(k)}(z) \right| \\ &= B_1^{-\nu_a(k)} \max_{\substack{z \in \mathcal{D} \text{ et} \\ |u_{a_k}(z)| = B_1}} |f^a R_a^{k-b}(z)| \\ &\leq B_1^{-\nu_a(k)} \left(r^{(k-b)} A_1^D \exp \left(A_4 D r^{-\frac{1}{\lambda}} \right) \|s\|_{\sigma, \infty} \right)^a, \end{aligned}$$

by Inequality (6.22). Hence we obtain the following upper bound for c_k , thanks to Inequality (6.23):

$$|c_k| \leq C_1^k B_1^{\frac{-\nu_a(k)}{a}} r^{k-b} A_1^D e^{A_4 D r^{-\frac{1}{\lambda}}} \|s\|_{\sigma, \infty}.$$

This upper bound $|c_k|$ enables us to obtain an upper bound for the norm of the image of s by the evaluation morphism $\varphi_D^{k,l}$, according to Inequality (6.18):

$$\|\varphi_D^{k,l}(s)\|_{\sigma} \leq C_0^{k+D} C_1^k B_1^{\frac{-\nu_a(k)}{a}} r^{k-b} A_1^D e^{A_4 D r^{-\frac{1}{\lambda}}} \|s\|_{\sigma, \infty}.$$

If σ is an embedding of K in \mathbf{C} , that is to say, if p_0 is the Archimedean place, since the infinity norm of s is bounded from above by the associated John norm (see (2.2)), we get

$$\|\varphi_D^{k,l}\|_{\sigma} \leq C_0^{k+D} C_1^k B_1^{\frac{-\nu_a(k)}{a}} r^{k-b} A_1^D e^{A_4 D r^{-\frac{1}{\lambda}}}.$$

Since $\nu_a(k) = O(1)$, there exists a real number $C_2 > 0$ such that, for all $r \leq r_0$,

$$h_{\sigma}(\varphi_D^{k,l}) = \log \|\varphi_D^{k,l}\|_{\sigma} \leq C_2(k+D) + k \log r + A_4 D r^{-\frac{1}{\lambda}}.$$

Set

$$r = \min \left\{ r_0, \left(\frac{\lambda k}{A_4 D} \right)^{-\lambda} \right\}.$$

If $r = \left(\frac{\lambda k}{A_4 D} \right)^{-\lambda}$, i.e. for $\frac{k}{D} \geq \frac{A_4}{\lambda} r_0^{-\frac{1}{\lambda}}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \log \|\varphi_D^{k,l}\|_{\sigma} &\leq C_2(k+D) - \lambda k \log \left(\frac{\lambda k}{A_4 D} \right) + \lambda k \\ &\leq C_3(k+D) - \lambda k \log \frac{k}{D}, \end{aligned} \tag{6.24}$$

where C_3 is a positive real number.

If $r = r_0$, that is to say if $\frac{k}{D} \leq \frac{A_4}{\lambda} r_0^{-\frac{1}{\lambda}}$, then the norm of $\varphi_D^{k,l}$ satisfies the inequality

$$\log \|\varphi_D^{k,l}\| \leq C_0(k + D),$$

which holds at every place by definition of the condition of α -arithmeticity. Yet $\log \frac{k}{D} \leq -\frac{1}{\lambda} \log r_0 + \log \frac{A_4}{\lambda}$, so for all $C_4 > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} C_4(k + D) - \lambda k \log \frac{k}{D} &\geq C_4(k + D) + k \left(\log r_0 - \lambda \log \frac{A_4}{\lambda} \right) \\ &\geq (C_4 + \log r_0 - \lambda \log \frac{A_4}{\lambda})k + C_4 D. \end{aligned}$$

Choose $C_4 = \max(C_0, C_0 + \lambda \log \frac{A_4}{\lambda} - \log r_0)$. Then,

$$h_\sigma(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \leq C_0(k + D) \leq C_4(k + D) - \lambda k \log \frac{k}{D}.$$

Thus Inequality (6.24) still holds for small values of $\frac{k}{D}$, replacing C_3 by C_4 . Finally, there exists a positive real number C such that for all non-negative integers k , D and every integer $l \in \{1, \dots, d_{a_k}\}$,

$$h_\sigma(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \leq C(k + D) - \lambda k \log \frac{k}{D},$$

and this concludes the proof of Lemma 6.8. \square

Proof of Proposition 6.6. By Proposition 2.2, the height of the evaluation morphism is given by the following sum:

$$\begin{aligned} h(\varphi_D^{k,l}) &= \sum_{p \leq \infty} \sum_{\sigma: K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}_p} h_\sigma(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \\ &= \left(\sum_{p \neq p_0} \sum_{\sigma: K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}_p} h_\sigma(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \right) \\ &\quad + \left(\sum_{\substack{\sigma: K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}_{p_0} \\ \sigma \circ \sigma_{a_k}^l(\xi_{a_k}) = \xi_{a_k}}} h_\sigma(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \right) + \left(\sum_{\substack{\sigma: K \hookrightarrow \mathbf{C}_{p_0} \\ \sigma \circ \sigma_{a_k}^l(\xi_{a_k}) \neq \xi_{a_k}}} h_\sigma(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Let σ be an embedding of K in \mathbf{C}_{p_0} . If

$$\sigma(\sigma_{a_k}^l(\xi_{a_k})) = \xi_{a_k}, \quad (6.25)$$

we can apply Inequality (6.15) to the height $h_\sigma(\varphi_D^{k,l})$ according to Lemma 6.8. The composed map $\sigma \circ \sigma_{a_k}^l$ is an embedding of K_{a_k} in K and is uniquely

determined by its image of ξ_{a_k} . For fixed k and l , the number of embeddings σ of K in \mathbf{C}_{p_0} satisfying Condition (6.25) is equal to the number of different ways of extending an embedding of $\sigma_{a_k}^l(K_{a_k})$ in \mathbf{C}_{p_0} to an embedding of K in \mathbf{C}_{p_0} , that is

$$[K : \sigma_{a_k}^l(K_{a_k})] = [K : K_{a_k}] = \frac{[K : \mathbf{Q}]}{d_{a_k}}.$$

Hence, denoting by d the degree of K over \mathbf{Q} ,

$$\begin{aligned} h(\varphi_D^{k,l}) &\leq C'(k+D) + \overline{\alpha_{a_k}} d n_k \log n_k + \frac{d}{d_{a_k}} (C(k+D) - \lambda k \log \frac{k}{D}) \\ &\leq C_6(k+D) + \overline{\alpha_{a_k}} d \beta_{a_k} k \log k - \frac{d}{d_{a_k}} \lambda k \log k + \frac{d}{d_{a_k}} \lambda k \log D, \end{aligned}$$

where $C_6 = C' + \frac{dC}{\min_i d_i}$, because $n_k \leq k$. Hence,

$$h(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \leq C_6(k+D) - \left(\frac{d\lambda}{d_{a_k}} - d\overline{\alpha_{a_k}}\beta_{a_k} \right) k \log k + \frac{d\lambda}{d_{a_k}} k \log D. \quad \square$$

6.6 Proof of the main theorem

To prove Theorem 6.1, we can assume $n > 1$. We will use the slopes inequality with the upper bounds for the height of the evaluation morphisms we proved in Paragraph 6.5. We recall the slopes inequality (6.10)

$$-CD^{n+1} \leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{d_{a_k}} \text{rk}(E_D^{k,l-1}/E_D^{k,l}) \left(C_1(k+D) + h(\varphi_D^{k,l}) \right).$$

From the upper bound for the height of the evaluation morphism given by Proposition 6.6, one has

$$\begin{aligned} -CD^{n+1} &\leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^{d_{a_k}} \text{rk}(E_D^{k,l-1}/E_D^{k,l}) \left[C_6(k+D) - \left(\frac{d\lambda}{d_{a_k}} - d\overline{\alpha_{a_k}}\beta_{a_k} \right) k \log k \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{d\lambda}{d_{a_k}} k \log D \right] \\ &\leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \text{rk}(E_D^k/E_D^{k+1}) \left[C_6(k+D) - \left(\frac{d\lambda}{d_{a_k}} - d\overline{\alpha_{a_k}}\beta_{a_k} \right) k \log k \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{d\lambda}{d_{a_k}} k \log D \right], \end{aligned} \tag{6.26}$$

where C_6 is a positive real number.

First we prove some inequalities satisfied by the terms of the sequence $\text{rk}(E_D^k)$. The Hilbert-Samuel theorem provides an estimation of the rank of E_D , since the line bundle L is ample (see for instance [Bost, 2001] (4.19)) :

Lemma 6.11. *When D goes to infinity,*

$$\mathrm{rk}(E_D) \sim \frac{1}{n!} \deg_L(X) D^n. \quad (6.27)$$

Lemma 6.12. *For all $k \in \mathbf{Z}_{\geq 0}$ and all $D \in \mathbf{Z}_{>0}$,*

$$\mathrm{rk}(E_D^k/E_D^{k+1}) \leq d_{a_k}. \quad (6.28)$$

Proof. This inequality comes from the fact that the map

$$\varphi_D^k : E_D^k/E_D^{k+1} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{l=1}^{d_{a_k}} \mathrm{Sym}^{n_k} \Omega_{\widehat{V}_{\xi_{a_k}^l}}^1 \otimes L_{|\xi_{a_k}^l}^D$$

is injective, and that each K -vector space $\mathrm{Sym}^{n_k} \Omega_{\widehat{V}_{\xi_{a_k}^l}}^1 \otimes L_{|\xi_{a_k}^l}^D$ has dimension 1. \square

Lemma 6.13. *For every non-negative integer N ,*

$$\mathrm{rk} E_D^0 - \mathrm{rk} E_D^N = \sum_{0 \leq k < N} \mathrm{rk}(E_D^k - \mathrm{rk} E_D^{k+1}) \leq dN, \quad (6.29)$$

that is to say

$$\sum_{k \geq N} (\mathrm{rk} E_D^k - \mathrm{rk} E_D^{k+1}) = (\mathrm{rk} E_D)^N \geq \mathrm{rk}(E_D^0) - dN. \quad (6.30)$$

Proof. For every non-negative integer N ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{0 \leq k < N} (\mathrm{rk} E_D^k - \mathrm{rk} E_D^{k+1}) &\leq \sum_{0 \leq k < N} d_{a_k} \text{ from (6.28)} \\ &\leq \max_{1 \leq j \leq m} d_j N, \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

For every non-negative integer k , set $A_k = \frac{d\lambda}{d_{a_k}}$ and $B_k = \frac{d\lambda}{d_{a_k}} - d(\overline{\alpha_{a_k}} \beta_{a_k})$. The slopes inequality (6.26) is then:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathrm{rk}(E_D^k/E_D^{k+1}) \left[-C_6(k+D) + B_k k \log k - A_k k \log D \right] \leq CD^{n+1}. \quad (6.31)$$

We set

$$A = \lambda, \quad (6.32)$$

and

$$B = \lambda - \max_k (\overline{\alpha_{a_k}} \beta_{a_k} d_{a_k}) = \lambda - \max_{1 \leq j \leq m} (\overline{\alpha_j} \beta_j d_j). \quad (6.33)$$

We will now prove that Inequality (6.31) implies, when D is big enough,

$$(n-1)A \leq n(A-B).$$

If $B \leq 0$, the conclusion holds (because $A > 0$). In all this proof, we assume $0 < B$. Then, for every non-negative integer k , $B_k > 0$. Let $\beta > 0$. We rewrite Inequality (6.31) cutting the sum in two parts, the terms of index $k \leq D^\beta$ on one side and the terms of index $k > D^\beta$ on the other side. Setting

$$S_D(\beta) = \sum_{k \leq D^\beta} \text{rk}(E_D^k/E_D^{k+1}) \left(-C_6(k+D) - A_k k \log D + B_k k \log k \right),$$

and

$$S'_D(\beta) = \sum_{k > D^\beta} \text{rk}(E_D^k/E_D^{k+1}) \left(-C_6(k+D) - A_k k \log D + B_k k \log k \right),$$

Inequality (6.31) becomes:

$$S_D(\beta) + S'_D(\beta) \leq CD^{n+1}. \quad (6.34)$$

Lemma 6.14. *Assume $\beta \geq 1$. Then, when D goes to infinity:*

$$|S_D(\beta)| = O(D^{2\beta} \log D).$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} |S_D(\beta)| &\leq \sum_{k \leq D^\beta} \text{rk}(E_D^k/E_D^{k+1}) \left(C_6 D + C_6 k + A_k k \log D + B_k k \log k \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{k \leq D^\beta} \text{rk}(E_D^k/E_D^{k+1}) \left(C_6 D + D^\beta (C_6 + A_k \log D) + B_k \beta D^\beta \log D \right) \\ &\leq C_7 D^\beta \log D \sum_{k \leq D^\beta} \text{rk}(E_D^k/E_D^{k+1}), \end{aligned}$$

since $\beta \geq 1$ and (A_k) , (B_k) are bounded. Thus, according to (6.29), there exists $C_8 > 0$ such that

$$|S_D(\beta)| \leq C_8 D^{2\beta} \log D. \quad \square$$

Lemma 6.15. *Assume $\beta \in]\frac{A}{B}, n[$. Then there exists a positive real number C_{11} such that, for D big enough,*

$$S'_D(\beta) \geq C_{11} D^{n+\beta} \log D.$$

Proof. We remark that since $\frac{A_k}{B_k} = \frac{\frac{d\lambda}{da_k}}{\frac{d\lambda}{da_k} - d(\overline{\alpha_{a_k}} \beta_{a_k})} = \frac{d\lambda}{d\lambda - d(\overline{\alpha_{a_k}} \beta_{a_k})} \leq \frac{A}{B}$, then for all non-negative integer k we have $\beta > \frac{A_k}{B_k}$.

Now, we give a lower bound for $S'_D(\beta)$. If $k \geq D^\beta$, then

$$B_k \log k - A_k \log D \geq (B_k \beta - A_k) \log D \geq C_9 \log D,$$

where $C_9 = \min_k (B_k \beta - A_k)$ which is positive by the remark.

$$S'_D(\beta) \geq \sum_{k > D^\beta} \text{rk}(E_D^k/E_D^{k+1}) \left(-C_6(k+D) + C_9k \log D \right).$$

For D big enough, $-C_6 + C_9 \log D \geq 0$, and hence

$$\begin{aligned} S'_D(\beta) &\geq (-C_6D + D^\beta(-C_6 + C_9 \log D)) \sum_{k > D^\beta} \text{rk}(E_D^k/E_D^{k+1}) \\ &\geq C_{10}D^\beta \log D \sum_{k > D^\beta} \text{rk}(E_D^k/E_D^{k+1}), \end{aligned}$$

for D big enough.

Yet, $\sum_{k > D^\beta} \text{rk}(E_D^k/E_D^{k+1}) \geq \text{rk } E_D^0 - d([D^\beta] + 1)$ from (6.30). Since $\text{rk } E_D^0 \sim CD^r$ thanks to the geometric Hilbert-Samuel theorem (Lemma 6.11) and since $\beta < r$, there exists a positive real number C_{10} such that, for all big enough D ,

$$\sum_{k > D^\beta} \text{rk}(E_D^k/E_D^{k+1}) \geq C_{10}D^n.$$

Setting $C_{11} = C_9C_{10}$, we get the lower bound for $S'_D(\beta)$ we wanted, that is: $S'_D(\beta) \geq C_{11}D^{n+\beta} \log D$. \square

To conclude that $A \leq nB$, by contradiction we pick $\beta \in]\frac{A}{B}, n[$. Then, by Lemmas 6.14 and 6.15,

$$S_D(\beta) + S'_D(\beta) \geq -C_8D^{2\beta} \log D + C_{11}D^{n+\beta} \log D.$$

Since $2\beta < n + \beta$, there exists $C_{12} > 0$ such that, for all D big enough,

$$S_D(\beta) + S'_D(\beta) \geq C_{12}D^{n+\beta} \log D.$$

This inequality contradicts Inequality (6.34)

$$S_D(\beta) + S'_D(\beta) \leq CD^{n+1},$$

because $\beta > \frac{A}{B} \geq 1$. Therefore,

$$\frac{A}{B} \geq n.$$

Hence we have

$$(n-1)A \leq n(A-B),$$

that is to say, by definition of A and B ,

$$\lambda \leq \frac{n}{n-1} \max_{1 \leq j \leq m} (\overline{\alpha_j} d_j \beta_j). \quad (6.35)$$

We recall that the parameter λ is a real number which satisfies $\lambda > 0$ and $\lambda\rho < 1$. If $\rho = 0$, then we can chose λ as big as we want, and the previous

inequality provides a contradiction. Hence $\rho \neq 0$, and letting λ go to $\frac{1}{\rho}$ from below in Inequality (6.35), one gets:

$$1 \leq \frac{r}{r-1} \rho \max_{1 \leq j \leq m} (\overline{\alpha_j} d_j \beta_j). \quad (6.36)$$

It remains to make an optimal choice for the rational parameters β_j . We assume that $\overline{\alpha_j}$ is rational and bigger than α_j , for every $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$. We want to minimize the $\max_{1 \leq j \leq m} \overline{\alpha_j} d_j \beta_j$, for $\beta_j > 0$ and $\sum \beta_j = 1$. This minimum is at least equal to $\left(\sum_i \frac{1}{\alpha_i d_i}\right)^{-1}$ since

$$1 = \sum \beta_i = \sum \beta_i \overline{\alpha_i} d_i \frac{1}{\overline{\alpha_i} d_i} \leq \max_j \overline{\alpha_j} \beta_j d_j \sum_i \frac{1}{\overline{\alpha_i} d_i}.$$

Setting

$$\beta_j = \frac{1}{\overline{\alpha_j} d_j} \left(\sum_i \frac{1}{\overline{\alpha_i} d_i} \right)^{-1}, \quad (6.37)$$

we have, for every $j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, $\overline{\alpha_j} d_j \beta_j = \left(\sum_i \frac{1}{\overline{\alpha_i} d_i}\right)^{-1}$. With this choice, Inequality (6.36) hence becomes $\sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{\overline{\alpha_i} d_i} \leq \frac{n}{n-1} \rho$. Letting $\overline{\alpha_j}$ go to α_j from above with $\overline{\alpha_j}$ rational in the previous inequality, we get

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{\alpha_i d_i} \leq \frac{n}{n-1} \rho, \quad (6.38)$$

and this concludes the proof of the main Theorem 6.1.

Remark. To prove Theorem 6.1, we had to differentiate with different speeds at the different points: at each point, we differentiated with a speed inversely proportional to its degree. If we had differentiated with the same speed at each point, that is to say if we had taken all the β_j equal to $\frac{1}{m}$, we would have obtained, from (6.36), the following weaker inequality:

$$m \leq \frac{r}{r-1} \rho \max_{1 \leq j \leq m} \alpha_j d_j.$$

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